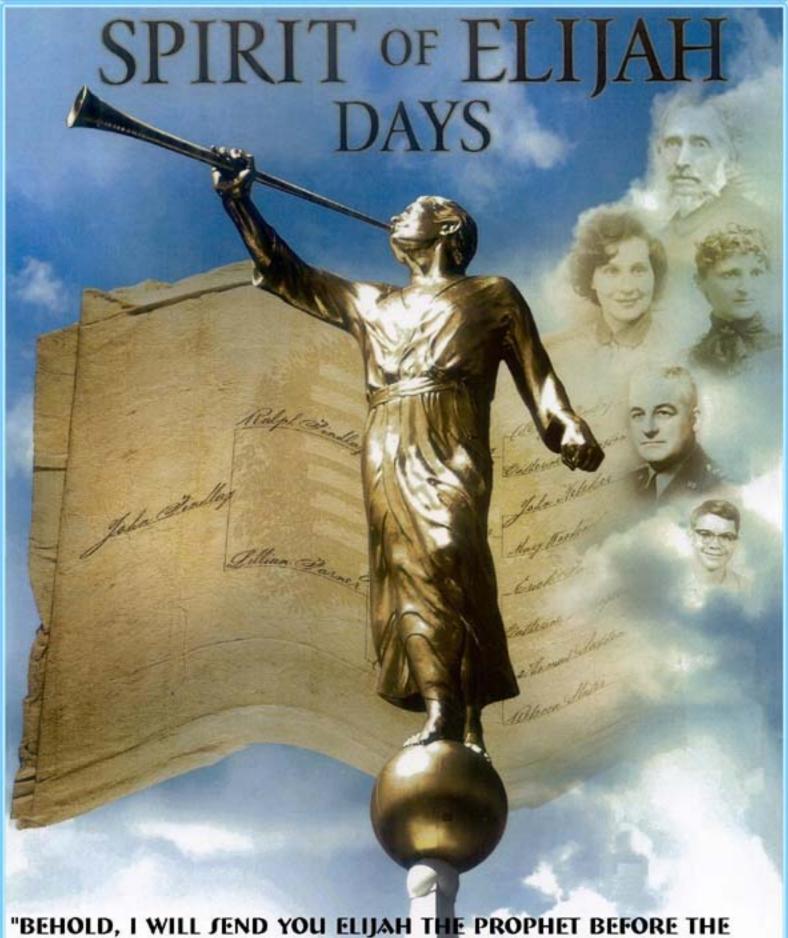


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"BEHOLD, I WILL JEND YOU ELIJAH THE PROPHET BEFORE THE COMING OF THE GREAT AND DREADFUL DAY OF THE LORD: AND HE JHALL TURN THE HEART OF THE FATHERS TO THE CHILDREN, AND THE HEART OF THE CHILDREN TO THEIR FATHERS, LEST I COME AND SMITE THE EARTH WITH A CURSE. MALACHI 4:5-6

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PREFACE

This body of work has taken 40 years of record searching in courthouses, interviews with living relatives, cemeteries, microfilm reading of census records, deeds and most important of all...libraries from the local town library to the National Archives, resources gathered from all over Missouri and Tennessee.

I have had help from many researchers sharing their research over the years with the intent that one-day, I would be able to compile and share what was found with others. It is with great pleasure I am able to share this accumulative descendant research in this comprehensive volume of work.

First and foremost, please make copies of this file for future preservation.

LAYOUT

There are several sections in this book.

- [1] 5-page descendant chart of Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt's family comprising of 3 generations.
- [2] Some descendants have basic information including Cradle to Grave Profiles (C2G) followed by notes comprised of very important source documentation and research recommendations. This book is to be used as a roadmap for identifying your ancestors and is not represented to be a complete body of work.
- [3] Most descendants have spousal information including children and their spouses. If further information is wanted concerning allied families, please contact the author.
- [4] Names highlighted in blue are the author's direct line ancestors.
- [5] The end of the book has the author's pedigree showing his relationship to the common ancestor. Also, there is a short biography of the author explaining his interest and qualifications in family history research.

I hope you will share this book with others in your family and it will become a family treasure.

Any questions you may have concerning information in this book can be asked of the author either at his home address: Floyd Pratt, 15434 East Ford Circle Apt A-1, Aurora, Colorado 80017 or by phone 941.209.1701 or by email floydpratt59@yahoo.com or floydpratt59@gmail.com

It is and always has been my desire to share what I have found with others so they may use our research as a springboard to launch their family histories. Only through knowing our ancestors...can we know ourselves.

Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2014

1-Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt)

born: 6 September 1869, near Osage Post Office, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, Unite-died: 24 March 1914, near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States



+Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY)

born: 20 February 1874, Johnson Township, Washington County, Missouri, United States marr: 29 January 1893, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died: 17 April 1938, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States parents: François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missey and Cynthia N. (TALBOTT)



2-Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

born: 1 December 1893, Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United~died: 27 July 1947, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States



+Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON)

born: 19 March 1894, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United St-marr: 12 April 1919, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Stadied: 26 June 1983, Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, parents: Judge James Millard Johnson Sr. and Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON)



3-Mary Edith (PRATT)

born: 22 February 1920, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, Unitadied: 5 September 2011, Rolla Hospital, Rolla, Meramec Township, Phelps, Missouri,~



3-Carl Benjamin Pratt

born: 25 November 1921, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, Uni~died: 21 July 2004, Bellefontaine Neighbors, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United St~



3-Roy Lee Pratt

born: 13 November 1924, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, Uni~died: 30 November 2003, Missouri Southern Healthcare, Dexter, Liberty Township, St~



3-Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt

born: 6 January 1927, near Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford, Missouri, United St-died: 8 November 2013, Saint Clair Nursing Center, 1035 Plaza Court North, Saint Cla-



3-Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

born: 5 April 1929, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died: 9 December 1939, McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Mi~



3-James "Jim" Henry Pratt

born: 6 January 1931, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United S~died: 11 May 1999, Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States



2-Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt

born: 23 November 1894, Johnson Township, Washington County, Missouri, United Stadied: 12 August 1962, Veterans Administration Hospital, Jefferson Barracks, Carondolea



+Nadine Mae (SKAGGS)

born: 1 November 1905, Bonne Terre, Perry Township, Saint Francois County, Missouri~

marr: 22 September 1929, Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States died: 22 October 1989, Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States

parents: Thornton "Hob" Wilburn Skaggs and Mary Rebecca Jane (HAGGARD)



2-Albert "Al" Paris Pratt

born: 28 June 1897, Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States died: 11 August 1936, Saint Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United St~



+Mary (SHEPARD)

born: 1911, Central Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States

marr: 3 April 1926, Union, Union Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States

died: After 1936

parents: James Harvey Shepard and Edna Iola (COLE)



2-Virgil Ranson Pratt

born: 4 July 1899, Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States died: 21 January 1971, Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, ~

+Eula Viola (RICHARDSON)

born: 21 November 1909, Cherry Valley, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States marr: 27 February 1926, Steelville, Meramec Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United S~died: 4 May 1990, Rolla Manor Care Center, Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United ~parents: William Eli "Pete" Richardson and Jessie (COFFMAN)

3-Rosalie Ruth (PRATT)

born: 2 January 1927, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died: 3 September 1983, Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Lo~

3-Thelma Dorothy (PRATT)

born: 25 February 1928, Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States died: 25 June 2011, Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Louis ~

3-Mary Jessie (PRATT)

born: 3 September 1931, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Sta~

3-Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt

born: 8 June 1935, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

3-Donald Virgil Pratt

born: 13 June 1939, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died: 5 November 2013, Fort Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital, 126 Missouri Avenu~

3-Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt

born: 1 April 1945, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

3-Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT)

born: 8 January 1952, Rolla, Meramec Township, Phelps County, Missouri, United States

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2-Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

born: 3 January 1902, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Stadied: 7 May 1961, Saint Luke's Hospital, 5535 Delmar Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missoa

+Hazel Belle (COZIAH)

born: 6 December 1892, Sun Valley, Logan, Idaho, United States

marr: 1931-1939

died: 24 December 1959, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, Uni~

parents: James Harvey Coziah and Eva May (OSTRANDER)

+Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN)

born: 23 April 1906, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States

marr: 1960-1961

died: 4 January 1984, Taylor, Wayne, Michigan, United States

parents: Joseph Lafayette "Fate" Coffman and Elizabeth Isabelle "Izzie" (DAVIS)



2-Ruth Jane (PRATT)

born: 8 August 1904, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, Unite~died: 26 September 1961, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, ~

+Rufus Allen Graddy

born: 30 April 1887, Steelville, Meramec Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

marr: 20 October 1919, Union, Union Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States

died: 16 September 1967, Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States

parents: Bradley Van Buren Grady and Matilda "Tilda" Catherine (HENDRICKS)

3-Dorothy Mae (GRADDY)

born: 20 March 1921, Scotia, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States

died: 1 November 2009, Madison Parish Hospital, Tallulah, Madison Parish, Louisianna, Un~

3-Mildred Opal (GRADDY)

born: 5 April 1922, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died:

3-William "Bill" Allen Graddy

born: 30 August 1924, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died: 25 October 2001, Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States

3-Harold Lee Graddy

born: 15 November 1926, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Stadied: 15 April 2004, Life Care Center, Waynesville, Tavern Township, Pulaski, Missouri, Unia

3-Hilda Mary (GRADDY)

born: 15 November 1926, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Stadied: 23 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 23 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 23 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 23 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 23 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 24 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 25 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 26 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 26 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 26 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 27 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 27 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United Stadied: 27 January 2008, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Missouri, Mis

3-James Edward "Ed" Graddy Sr.

born: 18 November 1928, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Stadied:

3-Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)

born: 19 August 1930, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States

died: 14 December 2002, Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United S~

3-Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy

born: 12 April 1932, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died: 8 February 2002, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

3-Donald "Don" Earl Graddy

born: 19 February 1934, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Sta~

3-Cecil Arthur Graddy

born: 10 June 1936, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died: 24 November 2003, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United St~

3-Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

born: 1 May 1938, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

3-Laird Dean Graddy

born: 12 September 1940, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United St~

3-Betty Jane (GRADDY)

born: 24 December 1942, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Stadied: 28 October 2000, (Sam Crocker Cemetery, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States)

3-Ronald "Ronny" Francis Graddy

born: 30 December 1943, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United St~

2-Mary Center (PRATT)

born: 12 June 1907, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States died: 7 October 1918, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

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2-Orville Hayes Pratt

born: 17 December 1911, Crows Creek, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, Uni~died: 11 June 1980, Lake of the Ozarks General Hospital, Osage Beach, Camden, Missou~

+Mary Olive (MALLOW)

born: 3 October 1917, Walton Township, Washington, Missouri, United States

marr: 12 July 1932, Trinity Lutheran Church, 1805 South Eighth Street, Saint Louis (city), Mi~

died: 25 May 2002, Clinton, Clinton Township, Henry County, Missouri, United States

parents: Harry Willard Mallow and Allie Lee (MASON)-Hanson

3-Orville Willard Pratt

born: 21 May 1933, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

3-Kenneth Lee Pratt

born: 8 September 1935, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United Sta~

3-Kathleen Mae (PRATT)

born: 24 February 1939, Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States

+Marie Virginia (PARSLEY)

born: 17 December 1917, Spiro, Le Flore, Oklahoma, United States

marr: 26 April 1951, Bentonville, Township 9, Benton, Arkansas, United States

died: 14 May 2005, Seasons Nurshing Home, Sedalia, Sedalia Twp, Pettis, Missouri, United ~

parents: John Quincy Parsley and Prillane "Prilla" "Pearly" (MARTIN)

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First Generation

1. (Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt, son of Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Mary (KIMBERLIN), was born on 6 September 1869 near Osage Post Office, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, died on 24 March 1914 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States at age 44, and was buried on 26 March 1914 in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt by his great grandson; Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2 Decmber 2013

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

This C2G profile is unique in several ways. Within each heading of proof of statement and documentation, the subject of the paragraph is not only listed but their parents are also listed. As in the case where this subject will become important in some future event in the life of our main ancestor, the spouse of that future event is also listed with identifying parents. Any additional references to those individuals or their ancestors are listed after each paragraph. These references can be books, stories, articles or pictures indicated by the title of these references in underlined **bold**. This convenience not only allows the reader to quickly identify the subjects of the paragraph, but also allows the reader to order a **free flyer** from the author concerning the additional resource items. Remember, the age, years, months, and days after the heading refers to Winslow's age at the time of the event.

1869 Birthblock for Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt son of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt

Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt was born near Osage Post Office, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 6 September 1869.

Date from 1870 census states he was born in 1870 in Missouri.

Date from 1880 census states he was born in 1869 in Missouri.

Date from 1900 census states he was born September 1871 in Missouri.

Date from 1910 census states he was born 1873 in Missouri.

Date from death certificate states he was born 6 September 1868 in Missouri.

Date from headstone states he was born 6 September 1868.

Research Note

The 1870 census was taken on 16 August 1870 and his father and mother said he was 8 months old at that time and born in September. Backtracking 8 months is December 1869. Therefore, if he was born on the sixth, then it was 6 September 1869. Either he was born in September or December of 1869, I'm going with 6 September 1869.-Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1869 Events of 1869

Suez canal was opened

The first transcontinental railroad was completed in the U.S.

The Suez Canal was completed

I.W. McGaffers invented the vacuum cleaner

1869 John Benjamin "Ben" Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) was born age 0 years, 2 months, 28 days

John Benjamin "Ben" Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) son of Francois "Francis" Columbier "Columbus" and Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missé Missey was born near Caledonia Post Office, Kingston Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 4 December 1869. John married Louella "Ella" Martha (**STREET**) daughter of William Jr. and Amanda (**MCGHEE**) Street.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 24 Benjamin Talbott and Descendants"]

1870 Events of 1870

The ring armature, the first practical electric dynamo was invented

Henry R. Heyl invented the magic Lantern projector

Thomas Alva Edison invented the stock ticker

The Franco-Prussian War began

Virginia was the 8th state to be readmitted to the United States Wednesday, 26 January 1870

Mississippi was the 9th state to be readmitted to the United States Wednesday, 23 February 1870

Texas was the 10th state to be readmitted to the United States Wednesday, 30 March 1870

Georgia was the 11th state to be readmitted to the United States Friday, 15 July 1870

1870 Federal Census age 8 months born in September 1869

Osage Post Office, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 98a, 16 August 1870, line 31, house 106, family 106

PRATT, Alexander w m 37; Mary w f 35; Mary w f 13; Jackson w m 8; Fannie w f 4; Pelina w f 2; Winslow w m 8mos born in September

[All born in Missouri except Alexander born in Tennessee. Alexander is a farmer. Alex, Mary and daughter Mary could not read and write. Winslow was born in September. Living in close proximity to the John Record family and the Kimberlins.]

1871 Events of 1871

The Franco-Prussian War ended

The Rugby Football Union was formed

Andrew S. Hallidie invented the cable car on rails

Simon Ingersoll invented the compressed air rock drill

Wilhelm Schneider of Davenport, Iowa patented the carrousel Tuesday, 25 July 1871

1872 Events of 1872

John W. Hyatt invented Celluloid

Edmund D. Barbour invented the adding machine

1872 Lee Clinton Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) was born age 2 years, 5 months, 25 days

Lee Clinton Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missé Missey was born near Sullivan, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 2 March 1872. Lee married Elizabeth "Eliza" Etta (STUDDARD) daughter of John David and LaVica Alice (WILHEIT) Studdard.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 47 James William Studdard and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 17 John Studdard & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 24 Benjamin Talbott and Descendants"]

1872 Death of step-grandfather; Abraham Absalom Blanton

Abraham Absalom Blanton, son of John Sr. and Rebecca (**HOBBS**) Blanton and grandmother; Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt Blanton's second husband died on March 4, 1872 in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Date and place stated in the Deed of Washington, Missouri, United States Deed Record Book "U", page 322.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and

Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 25 Jesse Carter Sr. & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 7 Levi Carter and Descendants"]

Research Note

There should be an article about him in the Sullivan or Potosi newspapers at the time of his death. As a landowner and business man with one of the largest mansions in the Washington County area, and he employed a great many of the locals to work in his mines, he was a man of importance and his death should not have gone unnoticed by the local literary community.-Floyd Thomas Pratt

1872 Joseph C. Scott (Uncle) and Nancy (KIMBERLIN) Pollard (Aunt) were married age 2 years, 6 months, 18 days

Joseph C. Scott (Uncle) son of William Childress & Johanna Isabell (FORSYTHE) Scott and Nancy (KIMBERLIN) Pollard (Aunt) daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard" E. & Frances Jane (PETERS) Kimberlin were married in Washington county, Missouri, United States on Sunday, 24 March 1872. Joseph married 1st Hester Ann (MUDD) daughter of John Francis Sr. & Elizabeth "Eliza" Sophia (SCOTT) Mudd and 2nd Nancy (KIMBERLIN) Pollard (Aunt) daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard" E. & Frances Jane (PETERS) Kimberlin. Nancy married 1st James "Jim" Pollard son of James & Catherine (ISGRIGGS) Pollard and 2nd Joseph C. Scott (Uncle) son of William Childress & Johanna Isabell (FORSYTHE) Scott.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 51 Michael Nicholson Isgriggs and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 14 Jacob Peters 1st and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]

1873 Events of 1873

An epidemic of cholera followed the Alabama railroad lines. An epidemic of flu spread to North America from Europe. 1873-1875

1873 Nancy Mariah (PRATT) Blanton (Aunt) died age 3 years, 4 months, 21 days Nancy Mariah (PRATT) Blanton (Aunt) daughter of Henry & Nancy (CARTER) Pratt died in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Monday, 27 January 1873. Nancy married Alexander A. Blanton son of Abraham Absalom & Cynthia Ann (PRATT) Blanton.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

1873 Childbirth of brother; Rhinehart "Rinard" Pratt about age 3 years, 6 months
Rhinehart "Rinard" Pratt son of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt.was
born near Osage Post Office, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States in March
1873. No known marriage.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1873 Father's Property Transaction age 3 years, 9 months, 27 days

Hempstead County, Arkansas Warranty Deed, 3 July 1873 1/8 NE¼ SW¼ S30 T40 R1W

James Blanton and wife Nancy H. Blanton sell forty acres of land in Washington County, Missouri to Alexander R. Pratt for sixty dollars, To wit: undivided 1/8 of the north east quarter of the south west quarter of Section No. 30 Township North 40 Range Noo. 1 West of the fifth principal meridian. 1/8 NE¼ SW¼ S30 T40 R1W

Research Note

After the death of Absalom Blanton in 1872, his estate was divided among his children. His 2nd widow, Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt Blanton remained in the mansion house until her death in 1875. Her son; Alexander R. Pratt bought out all the Blanton descendants in various property transactions.

1873 Father's Property Transaction age 4 years, 28 days

[1] Washington County, Missouri Deed Record Book "V", page 1-3, 4 October 1873 Heirs of Absalom Blanton deed to Alexander Pratt

Participants; Elbert S. Blanton and wife, Mary E. Blanton; John Allen and wife Elizabeth Allen; John E. Pratt and wife Caroline Pratt; John Blanton and wife, Margaret S. Blanton; William W. Blanton and wife, Mary A. Blanton; Alexander Blanton; Henry H. Blanton and wife, Matilda J. Blanton.

Research Note

Alexander R. Pratt paid them fifty dollars each for 40 acres in Washington Co., MO. To wit: One undivided eight 1/8 of the north half of Section No. one of the South West quarter of Section No. 30 in Township No. 40 of Range One West. 1/8 N½ S1 SW¼ S30 T40 R1W

1874 Events of 1874

Joseph Glidden and Jacob Haish invented barbed wire Stephen Dudle Field invented the electric street car

1874 Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSE) Missey (future wife) was born age 4 years, 5 months, 14 days

Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSE) Missey (future wife) daughter of (François Columbier) Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missé Missey was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Friday, 20 February 1874. Laura married Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt son of Alexander R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 21 Baptiste Missé & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 33 Jean Louis Missé & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 5 Jacques Missier Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 24 Benjamin Talbott and Descendants "]

1874 Louella "Ella" Martha Street (Sister-in-law) was born age 4 years, 6 months, 13 days

Louella "Ella" Martha Street (future sister-in-law) daughter of William Jr. and Amanda (**MCGHEE**) Street was born in Black River Twp, Wayne, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 19 March 1874. She married John Benjamin "Ben" Missé Missey son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missé Missey.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1874 James Pratt (Uncle) died age 4 years, 9 months, 19 days

James Pratt (Uncle) son of Henry & Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt died near Anthonies Mill, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 25 June 1874. James married Catherine (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt (Aunt) daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard" E. & Frances Jane (**PETERS**) Kimberling.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

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[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]

1875 Events of 1875

The agricultural depression became worse

On Fiji, measles killed one fourth of the population.

Siegfried Marcus invented the automobile

William A. Anthony invented the dynamo

B. Hotchkiss invented the gun- (magazine)

Eckardt Whettlaufer, a Mennonite sign painter invented the game of "Crokinole" in Ontario Sir Neville Chamberlain invented the game of "snooker" (Not the 20th century Prime Minister of Britain)

1875 Widower Alexander A. Blanton (Uncle) and Widow Catherine (KIMBERLIN) Pratt (Aunt) were married age 6 years, 1 month, 11 days

Widower, Alexander A. Blanton (Uncle) son of Absalom & Cynthia Ann (PRATT)
Blanton and widow, Catherine (KIMBERLIN) Pratt (Aunt) daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard"
& Frances Jane (PETERS) Kimberling were married in Crawford County, Missouri,
United States on Sunday, 17 October 1875. Alexander 1st married Nancy Mariah
(PRATT) daughter of Henry & Nancy (CARTER) Pratt; 2nd Catherine

(**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt (Aunt) daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard" & Frances Jane (**PETERS**) Kimberling widow of James Pratt son of Henry & Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 25 Jesse Carter Sr. & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 7 Levi Carter and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

Research Note

Be mindful as little Winslow aged, he attended these weddings and get togethers. He knew these people we call ancestors and shared in their joys and disappointments. He not only saw babies being born but witnessed courtships that led to marriages. He saw the victims of war and conflict and attended the funerals of family and friends. As familiar as we are today with aunts, uncles and cousins, he too knew these people we today, honor as our ancestors.

1875 Death of grandmother; Nancy (CARTER) Pratt Blanton age 6 years, 2 months, 11 days

Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt Blanton daughter of Jesse Sr. & Susanna (**HARMON**)
Carter died at the Blanton Mansion in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 17 November 1875 according to the 14 January 1876
Administrator's Bond in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Nancy 1st married Henry Pratt son of Cherokee parents, 2nd Abraham Absalom Blanton, son of John Sr. and Rebecca (**HOBBS**) Blanton.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 25 Jesse Carter Sr. & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 7 Levi Carter and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

1876 Events of 1876

Alexander Graham Bell patented the telephone in the U.S

Nicholas August Otto invented a gas engine becoming the prototype for the internal combustion engine

Melville Bissell invented the carpet sweeper

Daimler invented the gasoline carburetor

Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone

Elisha Gray invented the telephone

Colorado became the 38th state Tuesday, 1 August 1876

1876 Father's Administrator's Bond for Nancy (CARTER) Pratt Blanton age 6 years, 4 months, 8 days

Washington County, Missouri, Administrator's Bond 14 January 1876

Affidavit: State of Missouri; County of Washington

Alexander R. Pratt, administrator of the estate of Nancy Blanton, deceased, being duly sworn, says that the said Nancy Blanton died intestate, and without leaving any will, at Washington County, Missouri Nov 17th A.D. 1875 leaving as her heirs Alex R. Pratt, Jane Blanton wife of Henry Blanton, Sarah A. Blanton wife of Jno. A. Blanton, Mary Blanton wife of Alfred Blanton & Jacob H., Fanny, R. A. & Nancy Pratt children of Jas. Pratt decd living in Washington County, Missouri and Catherine, Alexander, Absalom, Augustus, Queen, Isabella, Susan, Benjamin, Sarah, and Louisa Blanton children of Alex & Nancy M. Blanton and Susan Hansell residing in Crawford County, Missouri, and Lorinda Hull wife of Ira Hull residing in Laclede County, Missouri. And that he will make a perfect inventory of, and faithfully administer all the estate of the said Nancy Blanton, and pay the debts as far as the assets will extend and the law direct, and account for and pay all assets which shall come to his possession or knowledge. Alexander R. Pratt, X his mark

1876 Robert Judson Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) was born age 6 years, 4 months, 29 days

Robert Judson Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missé Missey was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Friday, 4 February 1876. Robert married Adaline "Addie" Jane (**STUDDARD**) daughter of John David and LaVica Alice (**WILHEIT**) Studdard.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 47 James William Studdard and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 17 John Studdard & Descendants"]

1876 Thomas "Tom" Livey Callahan (future brother-in-law) and Sarah E. (EATON) Harmon (relative) were married age 6 years, 6 months, 11 days

Thomas "Tom" Livey Callahan (future brother-in-law) son of James Madison & Annie Elizabeth "Betsy" (YODER) Callahan and Sarah E. (EATON) Harmon (relative) daughter of Robert B. and Susan (MARTIN) Eaton were married in Crawford County, Missouri, United States on Friday, 17 March 1876. Thomas "Tom" Livey Callahan (Brother-in-law) 1st married Sarah E. (EATON) Harmon daughter of Robert B. and Susan (MARTIN) Eaton and 2nd Paulina Perlina "Lina" (PRATT) (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt. Sarah E. (EATON) Harmon daughter of Robert B. and Susan (MARTIN) Eaton 1st married Emerson Eldridge Harmon Sr. and 2nd Thomas "Tom" Livey Callahan (future brother-in-law) son of James Madison & Annie Elizabeth "Betsy" (YODER) Callahan.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 31 John Callahan and Descendants"]

1876 David McDonald Campbell (future brother-in-law) and Adaline (L'ORE) Mothershead Senter (Relative) were married age 6 years, 7 months, 5 days

David McDonald Campbell (future brother-in-law) son of Joseph & Milbury "Milly" (NORRIS) Campbell and Adaline (L'ORE) Mothershead Senter (Relative) daughter of Gabriel and Catherine (BENTON) L'ore were married in Washington County, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 11 April 1876. David was married to 1st Elizabeth "Bettie" E. (RUSS) daughter of John & Eliza (PATERSON) Russ, 2nd Adaline (L'ORE)

Mothershead Senter daughter of Gabriel and Catherine (**BENTON**) L'ore, 3rd Frances "Fannie" Minerva (**PRATT**) Whiteside (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt. Adaline (**L'ORE**) was 1st married to ______ Mothershead; 2nd William Senter; 3rd David McDonald Campbell (Brother-in-law) son of Joseph & Milbury "Milly" (**NORRIS**) Campbell.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 40 Joseph Campbell and Descendants "]

1876 Childbirth of sister; Minnie (PRATT) age 7 years, 2 months, 2 days
Minnie (PRATT) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt was
born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 8 November
1876. Minnie married George William Richter son of James Franklin and Sarah "Sally"

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and
Descendants"]

1876-1880 Death of mother; Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt about age 7 years through about 11 years

Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt daughter of Rinard E. & Frances Jane (PETERS)

Kimberlin died near Osage Post Office, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States probably after giving birth to daughter, Minnie (**PRATT**) in 1876. Mary married Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt son of Henry & Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and

Descendants"

(LAMKIN) Richter.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 14 Jacob Peters 1st and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 25 Jesse Carter Sr. & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 7 Levi Carter and Descendants"]

1877 Events of 1877

Jesse Boot opened a chemist's shop in Nottingham using mass-selling techniques to start the first chain stores

Elihu Thomson invented Electric welding

Nikola Tesla invented the induction motor

Thomas Alva Edison invented the phonograph

Many reforms: all young children had to go to school, wives could keep their property from their husbands, employers were responsible for accidents to their workers 1877 to 1883 Rutherford Hayes became the 19th President of the United States Monday, 5 March 1877

1877-1880 Henry H. Hansel Sr. (Uncle) died about age 8 years through about 11 years

Henry H. Hansel Sr. (Uncle) son of William and Elizabeth (MCGINNIS) Hansel died in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States after his deed signing in 1877 and before the 1880 census. Henry married 1st Jane (COBLE) daughter of Eli and Rebecca (TURNER) Coble, 2nd Susanna Rebecca (PRATT) daughter of Henry & Nancy (CARTER) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 42 John Hansell and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 25 Jesse Carter Sr. & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 7 Levi Carter and Descendants"]

1878 Events of 1878

The last great outbreak of yellow fever in New Orleans killed over 13,000 in the Mississippi Valley

There was an outbreak of diphtheria in New Jersey

Thomas Edison patented the phonograph which used wax-coated cylinders

William Booth founded the Salvation Army

William Crookes invented the cathode ray tube

Henry Fleuss invented the rebreather

Eastman Goodwin invented Transparent film

1878 James Franklin Studdard (Brother-in-law) and Mary Ellen (PRATT) (Sister) were married age 8 years, 5 months, 25 days

James Franklin Studdard (Brother-in-law) son of James William & Betsy "Bacey" Susie Nancy (**PRUITT**) Studdard and Mary Ellen (**PRATT**) (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt were married in Washington, Missouri, United States on Sunday, 3 March 1878.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 47 James William Studdard and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 17 John Studdard & Descendants"]

1878 George William Richter (future brother-in-law) was born age 8 years, 6 months, 2 days

George William Richter (future brother-in-law) son of James Franklin and Sarah "Sally" (**LAMKIN**) Richter

was born in Dittmer, Meramec Twp, Jefferson, Missouri, United States on Friday, 8 March 1878. Future husband of Minnie (**PRATT**) daughter of Alexander R. and Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1879 Events of 1879

Tay Bridge collapsed while a train was crossing. Seventy people died

Karl Benz invented the automobile engine

George B. Seldon invented the automobile

James Ritty invented the cash register

Thomas Alva Edison invented the incandescent Light bulb

Margarete Steiff invented the Stuffed Steiff bears and have become popular worldwide Uncle Goose alphabet blocks became favorites to help children learn their alphabet

1879 Frank Carter Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) was born age 9 years, 6 months, 14 days

Frank Carter Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missé Missey was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 20 March 1879. Frank married Phoebe Ann (**VEST**) daughter of James Milton and Mary Dianah Dora (**STROUP**) Vest.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1880 Events of 1880

Thomas Edison invented the electric light bulb in the U.S George Eastman invented Roll film Alexander Graham Bell invented the photophone Kampfe Brothers invented the safety razor John Milne invented the seismograph

1880 Federal Census age 10 years, 9 months, 4 days

Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 85a, 10 June 1880, line 28, house 80, family 85

PRATT, Alexander head w m male 46; Stonewall J.[Jackson] son w m 19; Manerva dau w f 15; Polinia dau w f 13; Winslow son w m 11; Rhinard son w m 7; Minnie dau w f 4 [Alexander born in Tennessee, his parents in Virginia, all the rest born in Missouri, father born in Tennessee, mother born in Missouri. Alexander is a widower and a farmer. Living next door to his daughter's family; James & Mary Ellen (**PRATT**) Studdard.]

1881 Events of 1881

Elihu Thomson invented the electric welding machine
James Garfield became the 20th President of the United States Friday, 4 March 1881
Chester A. Arthur became the 21st President of the United States Tuesday, 20 September 1881

1881 Ambrose James Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) was born age 11 years, 11 months, 3 days

Ambrose James Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missé Missey was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 9 August 1881. Ambrose married Parry Jane (RICHARDSON) daughter of George Washington and Mary Lucinda Sindrilla "Cindy" (HOLLINGSWORTH) Richardson.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 23 Daniel Richardson and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1881 Susanna Rebecca (PRATT) Hansel (Aunt) died age 12 years, 3 months, 16 days

Susanna Rebecca (**PRATT**) Hansel (Aunt) daughter of Henry and Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt died in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 22 December 1881. Spouse of Henry H. Hansel Sr. son of William and Elizabeth (**MCGINNIS**) Hansel.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 42 John Hansell and Descendants"]

1882 Events of 1882

A committee was formed to survey a route for a ship canal between Manchester and the Mersey estuary

Thomas Edison installed power-producing dynamos at Holborn Viaduct Station in London

Schuyler Skatts Wheeler invented the electric fan Henry W. Seely invented the electric flat iron

1882-1900 Nancy (KIMBERLIN) Pollard Scott (Aunt) died about age 13 years through about 31 years

Nancy (**KIMBERLIN**) Pollard Scott (Aunt) daughter of Rinard E. & Frances Jane (**PETERS**) Kimberlin died in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States 1882-1900. Spouse of 1st James "Jim" Pollard son of James & Catherine (**ISGRIGGS**) Pollard, 2nd Joseph C. Scott son of William Childress & Johanna Isabell (**FORSYTHE**) Scott.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 51 Michael Nicholson Isgriggs and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 14 Jacob Peters 1st and Descendants"]

1882 Eliza Etta (STUDDARD) (future sister-in-law) was born age 12 years, 5 months, 12 days

Eliza Etta (**STUDDARD**) (future sister-in-law) daughter of John David and LaVica Alice (**WILHEIT**) Studdard

was born near Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 18 February 1882. Spouse Lee Clinton Missey son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia (**TALBOT**) Missé Missey

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 17 John Studdard & Descendants"]

1882 Parry Jane (RICHARDSON) (future sister-in-law) was born age 12 years, 6 months, 20 days

Parry Jane (**RICHARDSON**) (future sister-in-law) daughter of George Washington and Mary Lucinda Sindrilla "Cindy" (**HOLLINGSWORTH**) Richardson was born in Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Sunday, 26 March 1882. Parry married 1st Ambrose James Missey son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia (**TALBOT**) Missé Missey, 2nd Albert Umalissus Stroup son of William "Will" Alfred & Sarah Elizabeth (**ADAMS**) Stroup.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 23 Daniel Richardson and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 22 George Harrison Stroup and Descendants"]

1882 Alexander A. Blanton Sr. (Uncle) died age 12 years, 6 months, 28 days
Alexander A. Blanton Sr. (Uncle) son of Absalom & Cynthia Ann (PRATT) Blanton
died in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Monday, 3 April 1882. Spouse of
1st Nancy Mariah (PRATT) daughter of Henry & Nancy (CARTER) Pratt; 2nd widow
Catherine (KIMBERLIN) Pratt daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard" & Frances Jane
(PETERS) Kimberling and widow of James Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

1883 Events of 1883

Yellow fever broke out in Alabama
Gottlieb Daimler invebted the auto engine - compression ignition

1883 Margaret "Maggie" (MISSÉ) Missey (future sister-in-law) was born about age 14 years

Margaret "Maggie" (MISSÉ) Missey (future sister-in-law) daughter of Antoine "Anthony" Damien and Rosalie (COURTOISE) Misse was born in Kingston Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on September 1883. Maggie 1st married Albert Paris Missey son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missé Missey married 2nd Charles "Charlie" H. Cooper son of Frank and ______ (_____) Cooper.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1884 Events of 1884

Charles Parsons patented the steam turbine
The 3rd Reform Bill gave the vote to agricultural labourers
Herman Hollerith invented Punched card accounting
Lewis Waterman NB invented the fountain pen
Ottmar Mergenthaler invented the linotype machine
Frank Sprague and Karel Van de Poele invented the trolley car, (electric)
The three Ivarson brothers began making wooden toys in Osby, Sweden. The BRIO
Corporation gets its name from the Brothers Ivarson of Osby
Wooden Figure-8 Train Sets were introduced by the Brio company.

1884 Stonewall Jackson Newton Pratt (Brother) and Mary "Mollie" Louise Taylor (Sister-in-law) were married age 14 years, 5 months, 15 days

Stonewall Jackson Newton Pratt (Brother) son of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt and Mary "Mollie" Louise (TAYLOR) (Sister-in-law) daughter of Dr. Archibald Ritchie & Marie Louise (ROUSSIN) Taylor were married in Washington County, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 21 February 1884.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 35 Jackson Newton Pratt & Descendants"]

[See "Who Stole the Deeds?" by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.]

1884 Edmun Forrest Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) was born age 14 years, 11 months, 23 days

Edmun Forrest Missé Missey (future brother-in-law) son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missé Missey was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Friday, 29 August 1884. Edmun married Grace Sybil "Poppy" (BREWER) daughter of James John Henry and Susan (WEST) Brewer.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1885 Events of 1885

Typhoid fever broke out in Plymouth, Pennsylvania
Karl Benz built the first petrol-powered motor car
Parliament gave approval for construction of the Manchester Ship Canal
Welsbach invented the first incandescent gas mantle
William Stanley invented the alternating current transformer
Karl Benz invented the automobile, differential gear
Gottlieb Daimler invented the motor cycle
Grover Claveland became the 22nd President of the United States Wednesday

Grover Cleveland became the 22nd President of the United States Wednesday, 4 March 1885

1885 Jackman Whiteside (Brother-in-law) and Frances "Fannie" Minerva Pratt (Sister) were married age 15 years, 8 months

Jackman Whiteside (Brother-in-law) son of James & Dorothy Eleanor (**JOHNSTON**) Whiteside and Frances "Fannie" Minerva Pratt (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt were married in Washington County, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 6 May 1885. Jackman 1st married Melica (**MODGLIN**); 2nd Frances "Fannie" Minerva Pratt (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1885 Grandfather's marriage of Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt son of Henry and Nancy (CARTER) Pratt and Miss Catherine Adaline (DUGAN) daughter of Jeremiah "Jerry" and Louisa A. (PILANT) Dugan age 15 years, 11 months, 14 days

Washington County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "I", page 223

[1] Alexander Pratt and Miss Catherine Adeline Dugan were married on Thursday, 20 August 1885 in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States [2] Washington County - Marriage Records Volume 1 1881-1889 by Brian Oster / 223-2 Alexander Pratt of Johnson Twp., Washington Co., Mo. over 21; Miss Caroline Adeline Dugan of Johnson Twp., Washington Co., Mo. over 18; 7 August 1885 license; married on 20 August 1885 by Simon O'Farrell, JP at Hamilton (http://www.vienici.com/moabs/WildCard.asp)

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

Research Note

Seems to be a discrepancy of enormous proportions. When I read their marriage record in 1976, I was new to research and as an untrained observer, I thought I saw her name as Mrs. Other researchers have now reported the Mrs. was actually Misf, which was a double "s" indicating she was a Miss not a Mrs. Looking for a Mrs. Dugan over the last 20 years produced no possible canadate. However, after viewing the actual record, I must now conclude that it is written as Miss not Mrs. I have found in the census records a Miss Catherine Adaline (**DUGAN**) in Franklin County, Missouri who was 20 years old. Alexander would have been 53 years old at the time of this marriage and surely the newspapers should have written an article about the discrepancy in age of this marriage. I have not had the time to check the Sullivan, Potosi, Bourbon or Steelville newspapers to verify any such article. After researching the Dugan family, I am convinced Adaline, the 20 year old in the census is the one he married...that would explain her ability to bear two children and dying young, from childbirth complications in 1892.

1886 Events of 1886

An epidemic of yellow fever broke out in Jacksonville, Florida

Gottlieb Daimler invented the gasoline engine

Tainter & Bell invented the gramophone

The board game called "The Game of Baseball" was made by the McLoughlin Brothers. By 1999 a boxed game was worth \$3,000

The first BB gun was invented. It arose from the cap guns manufactured by shotgun manufacturers after the U. S. Civil War

1886-1900 Frances Jane (PETERS) Kimberlin (Grandmother) died about age 16 years through about 31 years

Frances Jane (**PETERS**) Kimberlin (Grandmother) daughter of John Jacob Jr. & Sally (**CLAY**) Peters

died in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States after signing a deed in 1886 with her spouse; Rhinehart "Rinard" Kimberin and before the 1900 census.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 14 Jacob Peters 1st and Descendants"]

1886-1900 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin (Grandfather) died about age 16 years through about 31 years

Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin (Grandfather) son of James & Nancy (**HUMPHRIES**) Kimberling died in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States after signing a deed in 1886 with his spouse; Frances Jane (**PETERS**) Kimberlin and before the 1900 census. [See "**Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and**

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]

1886 Adaline "Addie" Jane (STUDDARD) (future sister-in-law) was born about age 16 years, 7 months

Adaline "Addie" Jane (**STUDDARD**) (future sister-in-law) daughter of John David and LaVica Alice (**WILHEIT**) Studdard was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on April 1886. Addie married Robert Judson Missey son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missé Missey.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 17 John Studdard & Descendants"]

1886 Phoebe Ann (VEST) (future sister-in-law) was born age 17 years, 18 days

Phoebe Ann (**VEST**) (future sister-in-law) daughter of James Milton and Mary Dianah Dora (**STROUP**) Vest

was born in Franklin County, Missouri, United States on Friday, 24 September 1886. Phoebe married Frank Carter Missey son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missé Missey.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 22 George Harrison Stroup and Descendants"]

1887 Events of 1887

Work begins on the Manchester Ship Canal Gottlieb Daimler invented the automobile, (gasoline) Tolbert Lanston invented the monotype machine

Emile Berliner invented the record disk

Thomas Edison combined his phonograph technology with the speaking doll

1887 Thomas "Tom" Livey Callahan (Brother-in-law) and Paulina Perlina "Lina" (PRATT) (Sister) were married age 17 years, 4 months, 28 days

Thomas "Tom" Livey Callahan (Brother-in-law) son of James Madison & Annie Elizabeth "Betsy" (YODER) Callahan and Paulina Perlina "Lina" (PRATT) (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt were married in Washington County, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 3 February 1887. Thomas "Tom" Livey Callahan (Brother-in-law) 1st married Sarah E. (EATON) Harmon daughter of Robert B. and Susan (MARTIN) Eaton and 2nd Paulina Perlina "Lina" (PRATT) (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 31 John Callahan and Descendants"]

1887 Rufus Allen Graddy (future son-in-law) was born age 17 years, 7 months, 24 days

Rufus Allen Graddy (future son-in-law) son of Bradley Van Buren & Matilda "Tilda" Catherine (**HENDRICKS**) Graddy was born in Steelville, Meramec Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 30 April 1887. Rufus married Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) daughter of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 19 Alexander O'Grady & Descendants"]

1888 Events of 1888

George Eastman designed the hand-held Kodak camera in the U.S

John Boyd Dunlop invented the pneumatic tire

Nikola Tessla invented the alternating-current electric motor in Italy

John Loud invented the ballpoint pen

Matteson (?) invented the harvester-thresher

Augustin Le Prince invented the kinematograph

Nikola Tesla invented the polyphase AC Electric power system (30 related patents.) Joseph Assheton Fincher invented Tiddlywinks, it was one of the earliest parlor games to become a fad

1888 Lorenda (PRATT) Campbell Hull (Aunt) died age 18 years, 4 months, 21 days

Lorenda (**PRATT**) Campbell Hull (Aunt) daughter of Henry & Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt died in Smith Twp, Laclede, Missouri, United States on Friday, 27 January 1888. Spouse of 1st Samuel Campbell (Uncle) son of David and Bathsheba (**CARTER**) Campbell; 2nd of Rev. Ira Spencer Hull (Uncle) son of Orrin J. and Nancy (**FOULKE**) Hull.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 25 Jesse Carter Sr. & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 7 Levi Carter and Descendants"]

1888 Gertrude A. (MISSÉ) Missey (future sister-in-law) was born age 18 years, 6 months

Gertrude A. (**MISSÉ**) Missey (future sister-in-law) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 6 March 1888.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1888 David McDonald Campbell (Brother-in-law) and Frances "Fannie" Minerva (PRATT) Jackman (Sister) were married age 18 years, 6 months, 30 days

David McDonald Campbell (Brother-in-law) son of Joseph & Milbury "Milly" (NORRIS) Campbell and Frances "Fannie" Minerva (PRATT) Whiteside (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt were married in Crawford County, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 5 April 1888.

David was married to 1st Elizabeth "Bettie" E. (RUSS) daughter of John & Eliza (PATERSON) Russ, 2nd Adaline (L'ORE) Mothershead Senter daughter of Gabriel and Catherine (BENTON) L'ore, 3rd Frances "Fannie" Minerva (PRATT) Whiteside (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt.

Adaline (**L'ORE**) was 1st married to _____ Mothershead; 2nd William Senter; 3rd David McDonald Campbell (Brother-in-law) son of Joseph & Milbury "Milly" (**NORRIS**) Campbell. Frances "Fannie" Minerva (**PRATT**) Whiteside (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt 1st married Jackman Whiteside (Brother-in-law) son of James & Dorothy Eleanor (**JOHNSTON**) Whiteside; 2nd David McDonald Campbell (Brother-in-law) son of Joseph & Milbury "Milly" (**NORRIS**) Campbell.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 40 Joseph Campbell and Descendants"]

1888 Widower Rev. Ira Spencer Hull (Uncle) and Didanes Diana () were married age 18 years, 9 months, 8 days

Widower Rev. Ira Spencer Hull (Uncle) son of Orrin J. and Nancy (FOULKE) Hull and 3rd Didanes Diana (_____) were married in Camden County, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 14 June 1888. Ira married 1st Cynthia "Cinchee" C. (DOLLAR) daughter of James and Mahula (CLINKENBEARD) Dollar, 2nd Lorenda (PRATT) daughter of Henry and Nancy (CARTER) Pratt, 3rd Didenna Diana (_____).

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

1888 Childbirth of step-brother; Carac Francis Pratt age 19 years, 1 month, 7 days
Carac Francis Pratt son of Alexander "Alex" R. & 2nd Catherine "Kate" Adaline (DUGAN)
Pratt was born in Hamilton Hollow in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on
13 October 1888. Future spouse of Olivea "Leva" Jane (JARVIS) daughter of James
Monroe & Martha Anna (GRIGGS) Jarvis.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants"]

1888 Gertrude A. (MISSÉ) Missey (future sister-in-law) died age 19 years, 2 months, 6 days

9 month old Gertrude A. (**MISSÉ**) Missey (future sister-in-law) daughter of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" and Cynthia N. (**TALBOTT**) Missé Missey died in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Monday, 12 November 1888.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1889 Events of 1889

Sylvester Roper invented the steam automobile

The Flexible Flyer sled was introduced

Charles Crandall invented the game "Pigs in Clover"

North Dakota became the 39th state Saturday, 2 March 1889

South Dakota became the 40th state Saturday, 2 March 1889

Benjamin Harrison became the 23rd President of the United States Monday, 4 March 1889

Montana became the 41st state Friday, 8 November 1889

Washington became the 42nd state Monday, 11 November 1889

1890 Events of 1890

Mah Jongg, from the Chinese word for "sparrow," originatated in the Ningbo area of China Charles B. King invented the pneumatic hammer

Lawrence Hargrave, from Australia, invented the first three-dimensional kite

Idaho became the 43rd state Thursday, 3 July 1890

Wyoming became the 44th state Thursday, 10 July 1890

1890 Vermetta (KIMBERLIN) Harmon (Aunt) died age 20 years, 7 months, 25 days

Vermetta (**KIMBERLIN**) Harmon (Aunt) daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard" E. and Frances Jane (**PETERS**) Kimberlin died Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 1 May 1890. Spouse of Reuban Harmon son of Jonas M. Sr. & Catherine (**WOLFORD**) Harmon.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 13 Isaac Harmon & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]

1890 John Absalom Pratt Sr. (Uncle) died age 20 years, 9 months, 21 days

John Absalom Pratt Sr. (Uncle) son of Henry and Nancy (CARTER) Pratt died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on Friday, 27 June 1890. Spouse of Mary Elizabeth "Betsy" Caroline (BLANTON) daughter of Abraham Absalom & Cynthia Ann (PRATT) Blanton.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"] [See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and

Descendants["]]

1891 Events 1891

William Morrison invented the automobile storage battery Edward G. Acheson invented the carborundum Whitcomb Judson invented the zipper

1891 Rev. Ira Spencer Hull (Uncle) died age 21 years, 6 months, 11 days

Rev. Ira Spencer Hull (Uncle) son of Orrin J. and Nancy (FOULKE) Hull died in

Mayfield Twp, Laclede, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 17 March 1891. Ira married 1st Cynthia "Cinchee" C. (**DOLLAR**) daughter of James and Mahula (**CLINKENBEARD**) Dollar, 2nd Lorenda (**PRATT**) daughter of Henry and Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt, 3rd Didenna Diana (_____).

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

1891 Grace Sybil "Poppy" (BREWER) (future sister-in-law) was born age 21 years, 8 months, 26 days

Grace Sybil "Poppy" (**BREWER**) (future sister-in-law) daughter of James John Henry and Susan (**WEST**) Brewer was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Monday, 1 June 1891. Grace married Edmun Forrest Missé Missey son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" and Cynthia N. (**TALBOTT**) Missé Missey.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1891 Mary Jane (STROUP) (future sister-in-law) was born age 21 years, 10 months, 19 days

Mary Jane (**STROUP**) (future sister-in-law) daughter of William "Will" Alfred and Sarah Elizabeth (**ADAMS**) Stroup was born in Meramec Twp, Franklin, MIssouri, United States on Saturday, 25 July 1891. Mary Jane married Albert Paris Missey son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" and Cynthia N. (**TALBOTT**) Missé Missey.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 22 George Harrison Stroup and Descendants"]

[See "1913-1942 Personal Journal of Rev. Albert Paris Missey" by Rev. Albert Paris Missey M.D.]

[See "Journal of Solemnized Marriages of Rev. Albert Paris Missey" by Rev. Albert Paris Missey M.D.]

[See "Medical Journal of Rev. Albert Paris Missey M.D.]

1892 Events of 1892

Rudolf Diesel patented his heavy-oil engine

Frederic E. Ives invented Color photography

Almon Strowger invented the automatic telephone exchange (electromechanical) - First commercial service.

William Morrison invented the electric automobile

Duryea Brothers invented the gasoline automobil

The game of Snakes and Ladders was first published in England. It had originated in India

Cholera arrived in the U.S. on board the passenger ship, Moravia, from Germany

1892 John Benjamin "Ben" Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Louella "Ella" Martha (STREET)(Sister-in-law) were married age 22 years, 3 months, 27 days

John Benjamin "Ben" Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" and Cynthia N. (TALBOTT) Missé Missey and Louella "Ella" Martha (STREET) (Sister-in-law) daughter of William Jr. and Amanda (MCGHEE) Street were married 2 January 1892. Maybe in Wayne County, Missouri.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1892 Childbirth of step-brother; Cleveland "Cleve" Pratt about age 22 years, 6 months Cleveland "Cleve" Pratt son of Alexander "Alex" R. & 2nd Catherine "Kate" Adaline (DUGAN) Pratt was born March 1892 in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1892 Death of step-mother; Catherine "Kate" Adaline (DUGAN) Pratt about Age 23 years Catherine "Kate" Adaline (DUGAN) Pratt daughter of Jeremiah "Jerry" and Louisa A. (PILANT) Dugan died near Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States after March 1892 the birthdate her son; Cleveland and before 8 October 1892 the deed date where Alexander states he is single. Kate married Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt son of Henry and Nancy (CARTER) Pratt

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1892 Father's Property Transaction age 23 years, 1 month, 2 days

[1] Franklin County, Missouri, United States Deed Record Book, 8 October 1892, page Warranty Deed: Alexander R. Pratt to Ross M. Crow All of SW¼ of NW¼ part NW¼ of SW¼ S90 T40 R1W

This indenture made on the eighth day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two by and between Alexander R. Pratt of Washington County, Missouri party of the first part and Ross M. Crow of the County of Washington in the state of Missouri party of the second part, witness that the said party of the first part in consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars to him paid by the said party of the second part the reciept of which is hereby acknowledged and by these presents hereby grant, bargain and sell, convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns the following assigned lots, parcels or tracts of land lying and being the county of Washington and in the state of Missouri to wit: All of the south west quarter of the north west quarter [SW¼ of the NW¼] and part of the the north west quarter of the south west quarter [NW1/4] of the SW1/4] of section ninety [90] township forty [40] range one west [R1W] containing sixty-four [64] acres more or less. To have and to hold the premises aforesaid with all the rights, privileges, appurtenances and immunities that belonging in anyway pertaining unto the said party of the second part and unto his heirs and assigns forever. The said Alexander R. Pratt truly covenants that he is lawfully ??? in of an indefeasable estate in fee in the persons have conveyed that he has good right to convey the same that the said premises are free and clear of any incumbrances no one or suffered by him that makes a claim. And that he will warrant and defend to the said party of the second part of any claims by his heirs and assigns forever against any unlawful claims or all persons whomsoever. In witness that the party of the first part has set his hand and seal this day and year first above written. Alexander R. Pratt his X mark

On this 8th day of October 1892 before me personnaly appeared Alexander R. Pratt to me known to be the person ascribed in and executed the forgoing instrument and acknowdeged that he excuted the same as his free will and deed. Further said Alexander R. Pratt further declares himself to be single and unmarried. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my office seal at my office in Sullivan the day and year first above written. Joseph V. Pits notary public

[This deed declares that Alexander was single as of October 8, 1892. Therefore his wife

had died probably from birth complications of her son; Cleveland Pratt who was born in March 1892 and the date of this deed 8 October 1892.]

1892 Reuben Harmon (Uncle) and Mary Emeline "Emma" (SUMMERS) (Relative) were married age 23 years, 2 months, 28 days

Widower; Reuben Harmon (Uncle) son of Jonas M. Sr. & Catherine (WOLFORD) Harmon and widow; Mary Emeline "Emma" (SUMMERS) Bouse (Relative) daughter of William Henderson & Marinda Ann (PINSON) Summers were married in Liberty Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Sunday, 4 December 1892. Rueban married 1st Vermetta (KIMBERLIN) daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard" E. and Frances Jane (PETERS) Kimberlin. Emma married 1st John Andrew Bouse son of Martin and Louise Lavinia (DRACE) Bouse.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 13 Isaac Harmon & Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 50 Thomas Summers Jr. and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]

1892 Hazel Belle (COZIAH) (future daughter-in-law) was born age 23 years, 3 months

Hazel Belle (COZIAH) (future daughter-in-law) daughter of James J. & Eva May (OSTRANDER) Coziah was born in Sun Valley, Logan, Idaho, United States on Tuesday, 6 December 1892. Hazel married 1st Paul E. Darnell son of Fred W. and Maggie Angeline (PARSONS) Darnell; 2nd John Albert Schwarz; 3rd _____ Bellamy; 4th Delbert Heber Vail; 5th Karl Charles "Charley" Gottlieb Stoll; 6th Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt son of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "The Amazing Wives of Henry Arthur Pratt" by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.]

1893 Events of 1893

Frederick Ives invented Half tone engraving
E.J. Marcy invented the photographic gun
Nikola Tesla invented Wireless communication
Grover Cleveland became the 24th President of the United States Saturday, 4 March 1893

1893 Marriage of Henry Winslow Pratt age 23 years, 4 months, 23 days son of Alexander "Alex" R. and Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt and Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) daughter of François Columbia "Lum" and Cynthia N. (TALBOTT) Missey age 18 years, 11 months, 9 days

[1] Crawford County, Missouri, Marriage Record Book "E", page 172, Sunday, 29 January 1893

William H. Pratt and Laura M. Missey, State of Missouri County of Crawford, This license authorizes any Judge, Justice of the Peace, Licensed or Ordained Preacher of the Gospel, or any other person authorized under the Laws of this State, to Solemnize Marriage between William H. Pratt of Vilander County of Crawford and State of Missouri, who is over the age of twenty-one years; and Laura M. Missey of Vilander in the County of Crawford and State of Missouri, who is over the age of eighteen years. This is to certify, that undersigned a Minister

of the Gospel did at residence of the bride in said County, on the 29th day of January A.D. 1893, unite in marriage the above named persons. M. A. Clayton

[Should be noted that this is the only reference to Winslow's name as William. I attribute this error to the county clerk or minister recording this marriage due to their lack of familiarity with Henry Winslow Pratt. Laura (MISSEY)'s residence was with her father; Columbus Francis Missey at Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and
Descendants "]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 21 Jean Baptiste Missé & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 33 Jean Louis Missé & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 5 Jacques Missier Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1893 Father's Property Transaction age 23 years, 11 months, 27 days

Franklin County, Missouri, United States Deed Record Book, Saturday 2 September 1893

Quit Claim Deed: Alexander R. Pratt to Ross M. Crow N½ of Lot 2 NW¼ of SW¼ S30 T40 R1W

Alexander R. Pratt sells 80 acres for one thousand dollars to Ross M. Crow. Land is in Washington County, Missouri even though this deed was filed in Franklin County. North half of lot No. 2, north west quarter of the south west quarter section 30 township 40 range one west containing eighty acres.

[It appears after the death of Catherine, his second wife, Alexander sold off the old homestead in Hamilton Hollow to Ross Crow. After living in the area since 1839 they moved to Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States before the 19th of June 1900 census date.]

1893 Childbirth of son, [my grandfather]; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt age 24 years, 2 months, 25 days

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt was born Friday, 1 December 1893 at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Columbus married Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) daughter of Judge James Millard Sr. & Mary Jane Theodosia (**BARTON**) Johnson.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 12 Benjamin Johns(t)on and Descendants "]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 45 John Johnson Sr. and Descendants"]

[See "The Pratt Chronicles...Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt"]

Research Note

Concerning his place of birth, my grandmother, Rue (**JOHNSON**) Pratt told me Lum was born in Catawissa, Calvey Twp, Franklin, Missouri. However, this is contrary to the location of his parent's residence which was at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Since the 1890 census was destroyed by fire, we do not have the location of his parent's exact residence. The 1880 census states his father was in Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri and the 1900 census states his father lived in Johnson

Twp, Washington County, Missouri since both censuses are in Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri then I would conclude that he was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri not Catawissa, Calvey Twp, Franklin, Missouri. Also, on his brother's, Jesse Lee Pratt's death certificate, it states that Jess was born near Sullivan, Missouri. Since Sullivan is the closest town to Hamilton Hollow then this also supports my assumption that Columbus was born in Hamilton Hollow. Without stronger evidence supporting the Catawissa birthplace, I believe that Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Therefore, until new proof can be found to support the Catawissa birthplace, henceforth based on the above evidence I stand by my presumptive conclusions.-Floyd Thomas Pratt 2009

Research Update

See the book, "<u>The Pratt Chronicles...Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt</u>" 2013 by this author concerning definitive proof of Columbus Pratt's birth location. Also, in that book, the Catawissa birth mystery is explained and solved. Floyd Thomas Pratt 2013

1894 Events of 1894

The Manchester Ship Canal was opened to sea-going vessels on Monday, 1 January 1894.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manchester Ship Canal

1894 Birth of future daughter-in-law; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) age 24 years, 6 months, 13 days

Future daughter-in-law; Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) (future wife) daughter of Judge James Millard Sr. & Mary Jane Theodosia (**BARTON**) Johnson was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Friday, 19 January 1894. Or Monday, 19 March 1894 as stated in the 1900 census. Rue married Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 12 Benjamin Johns(t)on and Descendants "]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 45 John Johnson Sr. and Descendants"]

[See "The Pratt Chronicles...Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt"]

1894 Childbirth of son; Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt age 25 years, 2 months, 17 days
Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY)
Pratt was born near Sullivan, at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri,
United States on Friday, 23 November 1894. Jess married Nadine Mae (SKAGGS)
daughter of Thornton Wilburn & Mary Rebecca Jane (HAGGARD) Skaggs..
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and
Descendants"]

See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 41 Ire Skaggs and Descendants"

1895 Events of 1895

Malaria broke out in Washington, D.C.
Guglielmo Marconi discovered radio signals
Rudolf Diesel invented the diesel engine
King C. Gillette invented the disposable razor blade
C. Francis Jenkins invented the phantascope

Woodville Latham invented the phatoptiken projector

The J&E Stevens Co. began making cast-iron Rival toy stoves. They were sold with a coal bucket, a teakettle, frying pan and cooking pot. The company was in business until the 1930s

1895-1896 Pratt (probable brother-in-law) and Minnie (PRATT) (Sister) were married about age 26 years to about 27 years

In the 1910 census, Minnie (**PRATT**) Richter states that she has been married twice. Since her son; Roy Thomas Pratt was born 7 September 1896 at Flat River, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States according to his World War I Draft Registration Card, this puts her first marriage at around 1895-1896. However, she may have had Roy out of wedlock and given him her maiden name. Roy's death certificate, when located, may shed some light on the subject as to whom was his father.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1896 Events of 1896

Henry Ford manufactured his first motor car William S. Hadaway invented the electric stove Charles Curtis invented the steam turbine Thomas Armat invented the vitascope Utah is the 45th state Saturday, 4 January 1896

1896 Death of mother-in-law; Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missey age 26 years, 6 months, 22 days

Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missey daughter of Benjamin "Ben" and Laura (FARRIS)
Talbott died near Crows Creek, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Saturday,
28 March 1896. Cynthia is the spouse of Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé
Missey son of Jean "John" Baptiste and Marie "Mary" Françoise (PIQUETTE) Missé.
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé
Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 24 Benjamin Talbott and Descendants"]

1896 Roy Thomas Pratt (Nephew) was born age 27 years, 1 day
Roy Thomas Pratt (Nephew) son of Pratt and Minnie (PRATT) was born in Flat
River City, Saint Francois Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on Monday, 7
September 1896. Roy married Irma ().
See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and
Descendants ["]]

1896 Sarah Ann (PRATT) Blanton (Aunt) died age 27 years, 3 months, 1 day
Sarah Ann (PRATT) Blanton (Aunt) daughter of Henry and Nancy (CARTER) Pratt
died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on Monday, 7 December
1896. Sarah is the spouse of John Anderson Blanton son of Joshua and Bethanie "Nancy"
(HARMON) Blanton.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 30 Joshua Blanton & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 8 Jacob Hermann and Descendants"]

1897 Events of 1897

William McKinley became the 25th President of the United States on Thursday, 4 March 1897

Sir Ronald Ross discovered that mosquitos spread malaria on Friday, 20 August 1897.

Guglielmo Marconi built the first wireless telegraph station on the Isle of Wight

Frederick Creed invented the Creed teleprinter for newspapers

Robert Bosch invented the automobile magneto

1897 Childbirth of son; Albert "Al" Paris Pratt age 27 years, 9 months, 22 days

Albert "Al" Paris Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Monday, 28 June 1897. Future spouse of Mary (SHEPARD) daughter of James Harvey and Edna Iola (COLE) Shepherd.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

1898 Events of 1898

Nikola Tesla invented the remote control

Gund introduced the first mass-produced musical toys and soft toys

Spain declared war on the United States on Sunday, 24 April 1898.

The United States declared war on Spain Monday, 25 April 1898

The United States annexed Guam on Monday, 20 June 1898.

Yellow fever in Cuba kills over 5,000 solders fighting in the Spanish-American war; 5 times the number killed in combat from July 1898 to August 1898

The United States annexed Hawaii on Thursday, 7 July 1898.

1899 Events of 1899

Clyde J. Coleman invented the automobile self-starter

Charles Curtis invented the gas turbine

Valdemar Poulsen invented the magnetic tape recorder

The Spanish-American War ended when a peace treaty was signed on Monday, 6 February 1899.

Oahu, Hawaii saw its first case of plague on Tuesday, 12 December 1899.

Boxer Rebellion in China

Boer War began in South Africa 1899-1902

1899 Lee Clinton Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Eliza Etta (STUDDARD) (Sister-in-law) were married age 29 years, 5 months, 2 days

Lee Clinton Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) son of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missé Missey and Eliza Etta (STUDDARD) (Sister-in-law) daughter of John David and LaVica Alice (WILHEIT) Studdard were married in Alley, Shannon, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 8 February 1899.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 17 John Studdard & Descendants"]

1899 John Anderson Blanton (Uncle) and 2nd Emma J. (TROUT) (Relative) were married age 29 years, 8 months, 15 days

John Anderson Blanton (Uncle) son of Joshua and Bethanie "Nancy" (**HARMON**) Blanton and 2nd Emma J. (**TROUT**) (Relative) daughter of John P. and Hester Mary

(COOK) Trout were married in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on Sunday, 21 May 1899. John first married Sarah Jane (PRATT) daughter of Henry and Nancy (CARTER) Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 30 Joshua Blanton & Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 8 Jacob Hermann and Descendants"]

1899 Childbirth of son; Virgil Ranson Pratt age 29 years, 9 months, 28 days

Virgil Ranson Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 4 July 1899. Future spouse of Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) daughter of William Eli "Pete" & Jessie (COFFMAN) Richardson.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 23 Daniel Richardson and Descendants"]

1900 Events of 1900

As many as 90% of the inhabitants in some British towns had tuberculosis Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin built the first rigid airship

The Charles Seeberger redesigned Jesse Reno's escalator and invented the modern escalator

Ferdinand Graf von Zeppelin invented the rigid dirigible airship

Song: "A Bird In A Gilded Cage" composed by Arthur J. Lamb (lyrics) and Harry Von Tilzer Baseball cards were first introduced

Lionel Trains (Lionel) began when Joshua Lionel Cowen was just 22 years old he created a battery-powered train engine.

1900-1910 Death of Grandmother-in-law; Marie "Mary" Françoise (PIQUETTE) Missé about age 31 years through about 41 years

Marie "Mary" Françoise (**PIQUETTE**) Missé (grandmother-in-law) daughter of François & Marie Marguerite (**LAGRAVE**) Piquette died in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States between 1900 and 1910, because she is in the 1900 census and not the 1910 census. Mary is the spouse of Jean "John" Baptiste Miss Missey son of Jean Louis & Barbé (**BEAUCHAMP**) Missé.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 21 Jean Baptiste Missé & Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 33 Jean Louis Missé & Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 5 Jacques Missier Missé Missey and Descendants"]

Research Note

Should be noted Marie "Mary" Françoise (PIQUETTE) Missé was the oldest living relative of Henry Winslow at this time even if it was through marriage. Marie Françoise (PIQUETTE) was baptised 23 September 1827, conditionally, born January 4th 1826, daughter of François Piquette and Marguerite (LAGRAVE) in Old Mines, Union Twp, Washington County, Missouri, United States at the Saint Joachim Catholic Church. Godparents--Jacques Bone and Françoise Delcour. She was baptised conditionally, may have been previously baptised by Priest F.X. Dahmen at Saint Joachim's Catholic Church, Old Mines, Union Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Mary married Jean "John" Baptiste Missé Missey son of Jean Louis & Barbé (BEAUCHAMP) Missé and became

the parents of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey; Henry Winsow's father-in-law.

Research Note

Did you notice concerning the above record of baptism, the full record states as such...<u>"Baptisms of the Saint Joachim's Catholic Church, Old Mines, Union Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States</u>

Baptisms 1827-1836", 1827, Repository: The Missouri Historical Society, Skinner Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, page 3

"Marie Françoise Piquette was baptised 23 September 1827, conditionally, born January 4th 1826, daughter of François Piquette and Marguerite Lagrave. Godparents--Jacques Bone and Françoise Delcour".

The Catholic Priest were meticulious conerning the name of the person being born, baptised or married, including in the record, the parents and God-parents of the individuals involved. This example of record keeping inspired me to produce the type of records you...my fellow researchers, have come to expect from my publications. Because of the wonderful example our Catholic ancestors set for the rest of us, I have chosen to adopt their style of record keeping and you are blessed with these wonderful ancestor records I am trying to preseve. Yes, it does take longer, yes, it requires additional research and validation, but knowing who married who is not enough, we should want to know all about our ancestors and in the attempt, we will at least be able to carry on some sort of intelligent conversation with them concerning their lives while they were on the Earth...when it is our turn to cross the veil. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1900-1910 Joseph C. Scott (Uncle) died about age 31 years through about 41 years
Joseph C. Scott (Uncle) son of William Childress & Johanna Isabell (FORSYTHE)
Scott died in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States after the 1900 census and before the 1910 census. Joseph married 1st Hester Ann (MUDD) daughter of John Francis Sr. & Elizabeth "Eliza" Sophia (SCOTT) Mudd; 2nd Nancy (KIMBERLIN) daughter of Rhinehart "Rinard" E. and Frances Jane (PETERS) Kimberlin.
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

1900 Federal Census age 30 years, 9 months, 9 days

Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 8b, 15 June 1900, line 65, dwelling 131, family 135

PRATT, Henry W. 2 m born September 1871 age 28; Laura wife w f born February 1876 age 24; Lum son w m born December 1893 age 6; Jessie son w m born November 1894 age 5; Albert son w m born June 1897 age 3; Virgile son w m born July 1899 age 10mos

[All born in Missouri as were their parents except Henry's father was born in Tennessee. Living next door to David & Fannie (**PRATT**) Campbell, Henry's sister. Laura says they have been married 7 years and she has had 4 children and 4 are living.]

1900 Robert Judson Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Adaline "Addie" Jane (STUDDARD) (Sister-in-law) were married age 31 years, 3 months, 13 days
Robert Judson Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) son of François Columbier Columbus
"Lum" & Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missé Missey and Adaline "Addie" Jane (STUDDARD)

(Sister-in-law) daughter of John David and LaVica Alice (**WILHEIT**) Studdard were married in Crawford County, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 19 December 1900. [See "**Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants**"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 17 John Studdard & Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 47 James William Studdard and Descendants"]

1900-1902 Family Move

From Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Research Note

Bourbon, Missouri plays an important role in the lives of my ancestors and I feel it would be apropos to tell something about the town's origins.

Virtually Bourbon

http://www.bourbonmo.com/history.htm

Bourbon, Missouri had its beginnings in the early 1800's. Bourbon is believed to be the only town in the United States named for Bourbon whiskey. The beginnings of the city coincide with the construction of the railroad (first called the Pacific and later the Frisco).

The southern branch of the railroad was completed to Rolla in 1860. The construction of the railroad brought settlers to the area, encouraged by the availability of inexpensive land from the railroad, which was granted every other section along the right of way. Settlers also came into the country to homestead land and to settle on land granted to veterans of the War of 1812.

A road from St. Louis to Springfield was already in use, roughly following the divide between the Missouri River and the Meramec. The new railroad closely followed the route of the Old Springfield or "Wire" Road.

At that time there were several farmers living in the Bourbon area. A town was proposed one and one-half miles east of the present town. Streets were laid out and lots marked off, at least on paper, and the village was to be named St. Cloud. Richard Turner set up a general store on his property just west of the proposed village to serve the needs of both settlers and railroad workers who moved along with the building of the line. Camps were set up along the right of way and the workers stayed in some places several months, as was the case here where a 50 ft. fill was constructed at Boone Creek. Most of the workers were Irish Immigrants who built the railroad with picks and shovels and their own strong backs.

The Irishmen (and some of the settlers, too) were used to drinking whiskey, so Turner soon imported barrels of the new brand, Bourbon, which was becoming popular all over the New West. A large barrel labeled "Bourbon" sat on the porch of his store.

The barrel of whiskey was hauled to the construction project, and the Irishmen could go to "Bourbon" whenever they wanted a drink. Turner's store came to be called the "Bourbon" store, and the railroad workers soon called the entire area Bourbon.

When a post office was established in September 1853, the name was given as "Bourbon in the village of St. Cloud". The town was never located at the proposed village, but was built further west where the steam engines could stop and start where there was no grade. The town of Bourbon sprang up along the railroad tracks and the Old Springfield Road, where it is located today.

Bourbon has never aspired to be a big city, with a cold, business-like attitude. Instead, Bourbon's businessmen and civic leaders strive to keep the friendly, neighborly manner that has long been an Ozark tradition. Bourbon people are just plain folks, who like to make friends and make you feel at home. [End]

Comment

I remember how my Christian-minded Grandmother; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt who had attended the churches in Bourbon since she was a little girl, felt it was disgraceful that the town she was born and grew up in was named after a decadent sinful drink called Bourbon whiskey. She set the bar high for her family and friends including this grandson concerning good strong moral character, which sadly we always did not emulate. I remember one time when my parents had gone out for the evening, Grandmother Rue was babysitting us three boys at our home in Bridgeton, Missouri in the early 1960's. She found in dad's kitchen pantry, bottles and bottles of alcohol and knowing this was not proper and unhealthy for her son and his family poured all the contents of those very expensive bottles down the kitchen drain. I watched her pour them down the drain and as I remember there were 6-8 bottles of all kinds of alcohol. I don't remember how the conversation went when my dad and mom got home from their evening's entertainment, but I imagine dad probably didn't say anything about the incident because he knew his mother; Rue was right. But, when she left for her home in Bourbon, I also, imagine those bottles were replaced...too bad lessons weren't learned. I don't want to give the impression that my parents drank a great deal of alcohol, which they didn't, but my father was a professional businessman and entertained guests in his home and had a variety of alcohol for his guests. Dad's choice of drink was beer, which he only drank when he played cards with my uncles. Floyd Thomas Pratt 2013

1901 Events of 1901

Hubert Booth invented a compact and modern vacuum cleaner

King C. Gillette invented the double-edged safety razor

The first radio receiver, successfully received a radio transmission

Reginald Fessenden invented the improved wireless transmitter

Peter C. Hewitt invented the mercury vapor lamp

Johan Vaaler invented the paperclip

Song: "Boola Boola" was composed by Allan M. Hirsh.

Song: "Hello Central, Give Me Heaven" composed by Charles K. Harris

Song: "I Love You Truly" composed by Carrie Jacobs Bond

Song: "The Easy Winners" by Scott Joplin

Ping-Pong was invented

Theodore Roosevelt became the 26th President of the United States on Monday, 4 March

Edward VII was king of Great Britain and Ireland

1902 Events in 1902

Arthur D. Little invented rayon cellulose ester

The French physicist George Claude invented the neon light

Guglielmo Marconi invented the radio magnetic detector

Poulsen Reginald Fessenden invented the radio telephone

Morris Michtom, who received permission to use the name after Teddy Roosevelt, invented the "Teddy Bear"

James Mackenzie invented the lie detector or polygraph machine

Willis Carrier invented the air conditioner

S.W. Erdnase published the book, "The Expert at the Card Table". The book revealed secrets behind card tricks and cheating techniques

Song: "Bill Bailey Won't You Please Come Home" composed by Hughie Cannon Song: "In The Good Old Summertime" by George Evans and lyrics by Ren Shields.

1902 Childbirth of son; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt age 32 years, 3 months, 28 days Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Friday, 3 January 1902. Henry 1st married Hazel Belle (COZIAH) daughter of James J. & Eva May (OSTRANDER) Coziah; 2nd Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) daughter of Joseph Lafayette "Fate" & Elizabeth Isabelle "Izzie" (DAVIS) Coffman. Hazel 1st married Paul E. Darnell son of Fred W. and Maggie Angeline (PARSONS) Darnell; 2nd John Albert Bellamy: 4th Delbert Heber Vail son of Davis David Herber and Schwarz: 3rd Florence A. (NELSON) Vail; 5th Karl Charles "Charley" Gottlieb Stall Stoll son of Johannes Fredrick "John" and Anna (DEETZSCH) Stoll; 6th Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt. Beulah 1st married James Thomas Beauten son of Charles William and Eva Alice (RAYON) Beauten; 2nd Charles Spoel: 3rd Kenneth Archibald Cross son of James Elmer and Eliza E. (HOSTETTER) Cross; 4th Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt; 5th Clifford D. James.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "The Amazing Wives of Henry Arthur Pratt 2nd Edition 2013" by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.]

Research Note

Concerning Beulah's 1st spouse; James Thomas Beauten son of Charles William and Eva Alice (**RAYON**) Beauten, after his marriage to Beulah he changed his name to Edwin Carl Busch.

In all my 38 years of family history research, I have never seen anything like the marriage anomalies of the wives of my great Uncle Henry Arthur Pratt.

Art's first wife; Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) daughter of James J. & Eva May (**OSTRANDER**) Coziah was married 5 times before marrying Art,

Art's second wife; Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) daughter of Joseph Lafayette "Fate" & Elizabeth Isabelle "Izzie" (**DAVIS**) Coffman was married 3 times before marrying Art and once after Art's death. In all that drama...Art never had any children.

Each of those wives had some children with various husbands. This complex stage of

events intrigued me so much, I wrote an article titled, " <u>The Amazing Wives of Henry Arthur Pratt 2nd Edition 2013</u>" detailing my discovery of the origin of these wives, their family history and evolving information concerning their spouses.

Many of these marriages ended in divorce, some due to death however, for a woman back in those times, to entertain so many husbands, was not only unusual but by "proper" society standards...disgraceful. Art's willingness to accept a relationship with these women, and their "baggage", indicates a rebel mentality and defiance for "proper" society rules.

This story of Art and these women contain the foundation of an unbelievable Hollywood movie. You have everything from the hardship of a loss of mother; due to sickness, single parent father with 4 children from babies to age 6 forced to give them to neighbors and family to be raised, each women forced to survive in a pre-welfare world, using their wits and determination.

As additional information has been discovered concerning these extraordinary women, I have had to "update" my previous editions with newly discovered information. Far from complete, but an extraordinary view into the lives of these wonderful people giving the reader an appreciation for the struggles these strong women had to face to survive in an unsympathetic world. I consider this story a tribute to them and their struggles and an example for all women who think they had it rough. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1902 Mary Elizabeth (PRATT) Blanton (Aunt) died about Age 33 years

Mary Elizabeth (**PRATT**) Blanton (Aunt) died in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States in 1902. Mary is the spouse of Henry Hubert Blanton.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

1902 Father-in-law's marriage of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé and Mary Lavina (CAUFIELD) age 32 years, 5 months, 27 days

François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé (Grandfather) and Mary Lavina (**CAUFIELD**) (Relative) daughter iof John Caufield were married in Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 5 March 1902.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1903 Events of 1903

Edward Binney and Harold Smith co-invented crayons

Michael Owens invented the bottle machine

Michael J. Owens invented the bottle-making machinery

The electrocardiograph (EKG) was invented by Willem Einthoven

Mary Anderson invented windshield wipers

William Coolidge invented ductile tungsten used in lightbulbs

Edwin Binney and C. Harold Smith produced the first box of Crayola crayons. The name,

Crayola, came from the French words meaning oily chalk

The Wright brothers invented the first gas motored and manned airplane

Song: "Sweet Adeline" by Richard H. Gerard to music by Harry Armstrong, from a tune he had written in 1896 at the age of 18.

1903 Reuben Harmon (Uncle) died about age 33 years, 6 months

Reuben Harmon (Uncle) died Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on March 1903. Reuben is the spouse of Vermetta (**KIMBERLIN**).

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 13 Isaac Harmon & Descendants"]

1903 Ambrose James Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Parry Jane (RICHARDSON) (Sister-in-law) were married age 33 years, 11 months, 6 days

Ambrose James Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Parry Jane (RICHARDSON) (Sister-in-law) were married in Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 12 August 1903.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 23 Daniel Richardson and Descendants"]

1904 Events of 1904

Benjamin Holt invented the tractor

John A Fleming invented a vacuum diode or Fleming valve

Harvey Hubbell invented the separable Attachment Plug

John Ambrose Fleming invented the thermionic valve

Song: "Give My Regards To Broadway" written by George M. Cohan for his musical play *Little Johnny Jones* (initiated 1904 in a Broadway theater).

Song: "Meet Me In St. Louie, Louie" The words were by Andrew B. Sterling; the music, by Kerry Mills

"Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis", better known as just *Meet Me in St. Louis*, was a popular song from 1904 which celebrated the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, i.e., the St. Louis World's Fair. The song was published in 1904 in New York by Mills's firm operating under the name F. A. Mills. It was recorded by many artists such as William F. Denny and Billy Murray. The song and the fair were focal points of the Judy Garland, *Meet Me in St. Louis*. Garland recorded the song in 1944. "Louis" in the song is pronounced "LOO-ee", akin to the French. The song is one of the few instances of pronouncing the city's name that way. It is normally pronounced "LOO-is". The song, which is generally styled in the form of a limerick, has many and varied verses, few of which are remembered today - unlike the chorus. In the original sheet music, the chorus is the same for the first two verses but varies in verses three through six, which are essentially jokes with the punch line in the chorus. Song: "Frankie And Johnny" by Hughie Cannon

It has been suggested that the song was inspired, or its details influenced, by one or more actual murders. One of these took place in St. Louis, Missouri, on October 15, 1899, when Frankie Baker, a 22-year-old dancer, stabbed (or shot) her 17-year-old lover Allen "Al" Britt, who was having a relationship with a woman named Alice Pryor. Britt died of his wounds two days later. On trial, Baker claimed that Britt had attacked her with a knife and that she acted in self-defense; she was acquitted and died in a Portland, Oregon mental institution in 1952.

The song has also been linked to Frances Silver, convicted in 1832 of murdering her husband Charles Silver in Burke County, North Carolina. Unlike Frankie Baker, Silver was executed.

The card game, Pit, was first produced. It was one of the first games where all players acted at the same time

Thomas Suillivan invented the teabag

1904 Childbirth of daughter; Ruth Jane (PRATT) age 34 years, 11 months, 2 days

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Monday, 8 August 1904. Future spouse of Rufus Allen Graddy.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 19 Alexander O'Grady & Descendants"]

1904-1907 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1905 Events of 1905

Albert Einstein published the Theory of Relativity

Mary Anderson received a patent for windshield wipers

John Ambrose Fleming invented the radio tube diode

Song: "In My Merry Oldsmobile" music by Gus Edwards and lyrics by Vincent P. Bryan .

Song: "My Gal Sal" words and music by Paul Dresser

1905 Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) (future daughter-in-law) was born age 36 years, 1 month, 26 days

Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) (future daughter-in-law) was born Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 1 November 1905. Nadine married Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 41 Ire Skaggs and Descendants"]

1906 Events of 1906

Lee Deforest invented electronic amplifying tube (triode)

Lewis Nixon invented the first sonar-like device

Lee DeForest invented the triode amplifier

William Kellogg invented Cornflakes

Song: "Anchors Away" by Charles A. Zimmerman with lyrics by Alfred Hart Miles.

Song: "King Porter Stomp" is a tune by Jelly Roll Morton.

Morton first recorded the number in 1923 as a piano solo, but did not file a copyright on the tune until 1924. That year, Morton recorded a duet version with Joe "King" Oliver on cornet.

Morton said that he had actually written the tune almost 20 years earlier, and that it was named after his friend and fellow pianist Porter King.

The first "Tootsie Toys" were made by the Dowst Company in Chicago

The game, Touring, was published by Wallie Dorr Company. Parker Brothers picked it up in 1925. It was the inspiration for the present game, Mille Bornes.

Song: "You're A Grand Old Flag" by George M. Cohan

1906 Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) (future daughter-in-law) was born age 36 years, 7 months, 17 days

Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) (future daughter-in-law) was born in Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on Monday, 23 April 1906. Beluah married Henry Arthur Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

[See "The Amazing Wives of Henry Arthur Pratt" by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.]

1906 George William Richter (Brother-in-law) and Minnie (PRATT) (Sister) were married age 36 years, 8 months, 10 days

George William Richter (Brother-in-law) son of James Franklin and Sarah "Sally" (LAMKIN) Richter and Minnie (PRATT) (Sister) daughter of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt were married in Clayton, Central Twp, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 16 May 1906.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1907 Events of 1907

Color photography invented by Auguste and Louis Lumiere

Leo Baekeland invents the first synthetic plastic called Bakelite

The Bubonic plague broke out in San Francisco on Monday, 27 May 1907.

Oklahoma became the 46th state Saturday, 16 November 1907

Lee DeForest invented the radio tube triode

Lee DeForest invented the radio amplifier

Paul Cornu invented the first piloted helicopter

The vacuum cleaner, (electric) was invented by James Spangler

The washer, (electric) was invented by Alva Fisher (Hurley Corporation)

Song: "The Caissons Go Rolling Along" The Caisson Song

The song is based on the "Caisson Song" written by field artillery (later Brigadier General) Edmund L. Gruber, Lieutenant William Bryden, and Lieutenant (later Major General) Robert Danford while stationed at Fort Stotsenburg in the Philippines in March 1908. The tune quickly became popular in field artillery units. In 1917 the Secretary of the Navy and Army Lieutenant George Friedlander of the 306th Field Artillery asked John Philip Sousa to create a march using the "Caisson Song." Sousa changed the key, harmony, and rhythm and renamed it "U.S. Field Artillery." The recording sold 750,000 copies. Sousa didn't know who had written the song and had been told that it dated back to the Civil War. Although an Army magazine claims that Sousa passed on his royalties to Gruber other sources state that Gruber became involved in a prolonged legal battle to recover the rights to music he had written and that had been lifted (unknowingly or not) by Sousa and widely sold by sheet music publishers who reaped profits while Gruber received nothing. The music became so popular that it was also used in radio ads by firms such as the Hoover Vacuum Company. Gruber lost his battle in the courts. They ruled that he had waited too long to complain and that his music was by that time in the public domain. "The Caisson Song" was never designated as the official U.S. Army song likely because the lyrics were too closely identified with the field artillery and not the entire army. The official song retains Gruber's music, but with re-written lyrics.

Song: "School Days" by Will Cobb and Gus Edwards

1907 Edmun Forrest Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Grace Sybil "Poppy" (BREWER) (Sister-in-law) were married age 37 years, 6 months, 17 days

Edmun Forrest Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Grace Sybil "Poppy" (**BREWER**) (Sister-in-law) were married in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 23 March 1907.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1907 Frank Carter Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Phoebe Ann (VEST) (Sister-in-law) were married age 37 years, 7 months, 11 days

Frank Carter Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and Phoebe Ann (**VEST**) (Sister-in-law) were married in Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 17 April 1907.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1907 Albert Paris Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and 2nd Mary Jane (STROUP) (Sister-in-law) were married age 37 years, 8 months, 29 days

Albert Paris Missé Missey (Brother-in-law) and 2nd Mary Jane (**STROUP**) (Sister-in-law) were married in Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 4 June 1907.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 22 George Harrison Stroup and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé
Missey and Descendants"]

[See "<u>1913-1942 Personal Journal of Rev. Albert Paris Missey</u>" by Rev. Albert Paris Missey M.D.]

[See "Journal of Solemnized Marriages of Rev. Albert Paris Missey" by Rev. Albert Paris Missey M.D.]

[See "Medical Journal of Rev. Albert Paris Missey M.D.]

1907 Mary Center (PRATT) (Daughter) was born Age 37 years, 9 months, 6 days Mary Center (PRATT) (Daughter) was born in Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 12 June 1907.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

1907-1914 Family Story told in the 1970's

During a family reunion in Bourbon, Missouri, sometime during the late 1970's before her death in 1978, Ethel Delora (**MISSEY**) Isgriggs told me a story about Henry Winslow Pratt and his son; Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt having an argument over who was going to cut the firewood.

Ethel Delora (**MISSEY**) Stroup Hamlin Isgriggs is the daughter of Ambrose James and Parry Jane (**RICHARDSON**) Missey. She was a good family friend of my Great Aunt Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt, who also collaborated this story.

The story goes that "Winslow" told his son "Lum" to cut some firewood. Lum refused and Win told him he would have whip him if he didn't obey. Lum still refused and Win and Lum started to fistfight and brawl on the ground until Winslow was victorious and Lum succumbed and cut the firewood.

If this story is true, which I have no reason to doubt these ladies, this would have had to take place before Winslow's death in 1914. Lum would have been around 14 to 20 years old (1907-1914) and Winslow would have been in his 40's!

Columbus was way to old for fighting with his father and Winslow was way to old for trying to prove he was still the top dog in his house.

Ethel also said the Pratt's were hard cases and rough people. Not only were they financially poor and lacking higher educations, but this hard case characteristic in their personality was a carryover from their Cherokee heritage.

Harboring a "Trail of Tears" survival mentality where life was rough and survival was the order of the day, hard times required hard men and the Pratt's and their counterparts; the Blanton's took second seat to no one.

My father often told me that you did not want to challenge or cross Lum Pratt because he was a tough character and a no nonsense type of guy. Whatever he said, you did with no backtalk or discussion...that is if you didn't want to pick your teeth up off the ground.

This type of rough love behavior had its positive influences and negative influences. The positive effect was that the Pratts were taught to stand on their own two feet and take charge and be responsible and accountable for their actions. This led to independence and strength with a get-it-done attitude. The negative result was a lack of or the ability to offer unconditional love or to express their affections to family and friends.

Dad says the only time his father (Lum) embraced him and gave him a hug was when Dad came back from WWII in 1947...my father was 20 years old at that time.

I am convinced without the saving graces of our dear wives teaching us to even the scales of justice...with love, we Pratts would not have the potential to be the loving husbands and fathers that we strive to be today.

Hopefully, when dealing with friends and especially family, none of us in this period of education and enlightenment will carry over the negative caveman characteristics exhibited by our forefathers.

Floyd

Thomas Pratt 2009

1908 Events of 1908

Jacques E. Brandenberger invented cellophane

Fritz Haber invented the Haber process for making artificial nitrates

J W Geiger and W Müller invented the Geiger counter

The gyrocompass invented by Elmer A. Sperry

The Ford model T was first sold

Song: "Cuddle Up A Little Closer, Lovey Mine" The music was written by Karl Hoschna, the lyrics by Otto Harbach

Song: "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" The words were written in 1908 by vaudevilles star Jack Norworth, who while riding a subway train, was inspired by a sign that said "Baseball Today - Polo Grounds". In the song, Katie's (and later Nelly's) beau calls to ask her out to see a show. She accepts the date, but only if her date will take her out to the ballgame. The words were set to music by Albert Von Tilzer, (Norworth and Von Tilzer finally saw their first Major League Baseball games 32 and 20 years later, respectively). The song was first sung by Norworth's then-wife Nora Bayes and popularized by many other vaudeville acts. It was

played at a ballpark for the first known time in 1934, at a high-school game in Los Angeles, and researchers think it made its debut at a major-league park later that year. Song: "Shine On, Harvest Moon" is the name of a popular early-1900s song credited to the married vaudeville team Nora Bayes and Jack Norworth. It was one of a series of moon related Tin Pan Alley songs of the era. The song was debuted by the composers in the Ziegfeld Follies of 1908 to great acclaim. It became a pop standard, and continues to be performed and recorded into the 21st century.

1908 Henry Hubert Blanton (Uncle) died Age 38 years, 4 months, 15 days

Henry Hubert Blanton (Uncle) died in Steelville, Meramec Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 21 January 1908.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

1909 Events of 1909

Instant coffee invented by G. Washington

Hiram Percy Maxim invented the gun silencer

Henry W. Walden invented the monoplane

Song: "Casey Jones" There are several songs about Casey Jones, the famous railway man of the Illinois Central. The songs are based on the train wreck of April 1900 at Vaughan, Mississippi. Jones was a well-known and respected driver. He was driving No. 382, possibly for a sick friend. The switching station at Vaughan did not have enough room to accommodate the length of trains there. Flagmen were sent to warn Jones, but for unknown reasons, he was unaware of the problem until it was too late. Jones was killed in the accident. He left a wife and three children. Wallace Saunders, Casey's African-American engine wiper, wrote the first Casey Jones ballad. It was sung to the tune *Jimmy Jones*, which was popular at the time. Engineer William Leighton heard the song. His brothers Frank and Bert, vaudeville performers, polished the song, added a chorus, and began to perform it in their act. When the ballad was published in 1902 the words were credited to T. Lawrence Seibert, and Eddie Newton was credited with the music.

Song: "Put On Your Old Grey Bonnet"

William Taft became the 27th President of the United States Thursday, 4 March 1909

1909 Minerva Jane (SUMMERS) Kimberlin (Aunt) died age 40 years, 1 month, 11 days

Minerva Jane (**SUMMERS**) Kimberlin (Aunt) died near Berryman, Courtois Twp, Crawford, MIssouri, United States on Sunday, 17 October 1909. Minerva married Michael I. Kimnerlin.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 50 Thomas Summers Jr. and Descendants"]

1909 Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) (future daughter-in-law) was born age 40 years, 2 months, 15 days

Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) (future daughter-in-law) was born in Cherry Valley, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Sunday, 21 November 1909. Eula married Virgil Ranson Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 23 Daniel Richardson and Descendants"]

1910 Events of 1910

Thomas Edison demonstrated the first talking motion picture

Song: Let Me Call You Sweetheart

Song: Come, Josephine, In My Flying Machine

Song: Down By The Old Millstream

Song: Mother Machree

George V was king of Great Britain and Ireland 1910-1936

1910 Federal Census age 40 years, 7 months, 26 days

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242, family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; Jessie L. son w m 15; Albert P. son w m 13; Virgil R. son w m 9; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. This is their first marriage and they have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single. Living a few doors down from John & Susan (WEST) Studdard family. Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey, Laura's father. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and sonin-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C. F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1910 Matilda Jane "Janie" (PRATT) Blanton (Aunt) died age 41 years, 14 days Matilda Jane "Janie" (PRATT) Blanton (Aunt) died in Sligo, Short Bend Twp, Dent, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 20 September 1910. Janie is the spouse of Henry Hubert Blanton.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

1910 Cleveland "Cleve" Pratt (Step-brother) died age 41 years, 25 days

Cleveland "Cleve" Pratt (Step-brother) died in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 1 October 1910.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1911 Events of 1911

Charles Franklin Kettering invented the first automobile electrical ignition system Willis Haviland Carrier invented the air conditioner

The automobile self starter (perfected) was invented by Charles F. Kettering

Glenn Curtiss invented the hydroplane Song: Alexander's Ragtime Band

Song: Goodnight Ladies

Song: I Want A Girl Just Like The Girl That Married Year-Old Dad

Song: Memphis Blues

Song: My Melancholy Baby Song: Oh, You Beautiful Doll

Railway, mining and coal strikes 1911-1912

1911 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February 1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

1911 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

1911 Father-in-law; Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section: *C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.*

1911 Childbirth of son; Orville Hayes Pratt age 42 years, 3 months, 11 days

Orville Hayes Pratt was born near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Sunday, 17 December 1911.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

1911 Mary (SHEPARD) (future daughter-in-law) was born about age 42 years

Mary (**SHEPARD**) was born in Central Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States in 1911. Mary married Albert "Al" Paris Pratt.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt and Descendants"]

1912 Events of 1912

Clarence Crane created Life Savers candy

Edwin H. Armstrong invented the regenerative radio circuit

Australian inventor De La Mole patented the first tank

The motorized movie camera was invented. It replaced the hand-cranked camera

Song: Moonlight Bay

Song: That Old Gang Of Mine

Song: When Irish Eyes Are Smiling

In Constantinople, the Ottoman Empire experienced a cholera outbreak Monday, 18

November 1912

New Mexico became the 47th state Saturday, 6 January 1912

Arizona became the 48th state Wednesday, 14 February 1912

1912 Death of father; Alexander R. "Alex" Pratt about age 43 years

Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1912.

[1] Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died either the early part of 1912 (Jan-Mar) or the latter (Oct-Dec) according to his grandson, Fred Callahan. The roads were icy and they could not take his body back to Sullivan so they buried him the Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Osage

Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. He died at his daughter's residence Thomas Livey & Polina (**PRATT**) Callahan's home near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

[2] Date on metal plate at gravesite states 1831-1912 from gravesite marker at Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt and Descendants "]

1912 Catherine (KIMBERLIN) Pratt Blanton (Aunt) died age 42 years, 6 months, 22 days

Catherine (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt Blanton (Aunt) died near Anthonies Mill, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 28 March 1912. Catherine 1st married James Pratt, 2nd Alexander A. Blanton

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 2 Hans Jacob Kümmerlein and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and
Descendants"]

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants"]
[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

1913 Events of 1913

Gideon Sundback invented the modern zipper

Mary Phelps Jacob invented the bra

William M. Burten invented the cracking process for Gasoline

Robert Owen invented the double acting wrench

Elmer A. Sperry invented the gyroscope stabilizer

Reginald Fessenden invented the heterodyne radio receiver

William D. Coolidge invented the improved X-Ray

Ernst Alexanderson invented the radio receiver cascade tuning

Arthur Wynne invented the crossword puzzle

The Merck Chemical Company patented, what is now know as, ecstasy

Song: Ballin' The Jack Song: If I Had My Way Song: Peg o' My Heart

A. C. Gilbert invented the Erector Set

A prize was inserted into a Cracker Jack box for the first time

Woodrow Wilson became the 28th President of the United States Tuesday, 4 March 1913

1913 Jacob "Jake" Kimberlin (Uncle) died age 43 years, 4 months, 7 days

Jacob "Jake" Kimberlin (Uncle) died near Anthonies Mill, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Monday, 13 January 1913.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 18 Rhinehart "Rinard" E. Kimberlin and Descendants"]

1913 Elbert "Albert" Sevier Blanton (Uncle) died age 43 years, 8 months, 8 days

Elbert "Albert" Sevier Blanton (Uncle) near Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 14 May 1913.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 6 Abraham Absalom Blanton and Descendants"]

1914 Events of 1914

Garrett A. Morgan invented the Morgan gas mask

Robert Goddard invented the liquid fuel rocket

Ernest Dunlop Swinton invented the military tank

Ernst Alexanderson invented the radio transmitter triode

Song: A Little Bit Of Heaven Song: By The Beautiful Sea

Song: The St. Louis Blues

Charles Pajeau, of Evanston, Illinois, developed a toy similar to the Erector Set, but designed for younger children. He called it "Tinker Toys."

Eagle Rubber Company started to manufacture rubber toy balloons

The Archduke Ferdinand of the Ottoman Empire was assassinated in Sarajevo Sunday, 28 June 1914 Age 20 years, 6 months, 27 days

World War I began when Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia Tuesday, 28 July 1914 to Saturday, 28 June 1919 Age 20 years, 7 months, 27 days to 25 years, 6 months, 27 days President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed that the United States was neutral in the war Tuesday, 18 August 1914 Age 20 years, 8 months, 17 days

1914 Death of Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt age 44 years, 6 months, 18 days

Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt died at near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 March 1914.

[1] Death Certificate: Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #12055

As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Winslow Pratt March 24, 1914 Crawford 12055 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

"Winslow Pratt white married male born 6 September 1868 in Missouri to Alexander Pratt born in Missouri and Mary Kimberlin born Missouri. Winslow is a farmer. James P. Dunnigan M.D. was attending physician from 1 February 1914 to 24 March 1914 and Winslow died of ureaiei and chronic intestinal mephitis. He died at 9:30am on 24 March 1914 at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States and was buried on 26 March 1914 at Crawford County, Missouri. The informant was Lum Missey, Bourbon, Missouri."

[Urea: A nitrogen-containing substance normally cleared from the blood by the kidney into the urine. Diseases that compromise the function of the kidney often lead to increased blood levels of urea, as measured by the blood urea nitrogen test. Mephitic or carbon dioxide poisoning. - mephitic, mephitical, adj. It appears Winslow ate something at Christmas and it poisoned him.]

1914 Burial of Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt

Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States headstone...Pratt, Winslow 6 September 1868- 24 March 1914 headstone...Pratt, Laura M. 20 July 1874- 17 April 1938 [Many Pratt relatives are buried in this cemetery including my brother; Larry Winslow Pratt.]

1914 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 March 1914, Friday:

"Winslow Pratt of Crow's Creek died Wednesday, March 25. He had been sick since Christmas. He leaves a wife and 8 children."

1914-1918 Family Move

From Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. It appears after the death of Winslow, Laura took the family back to Bourbon where in 1918 her daughter Mary died in Bourbon and where Laura listed her residence on the death certificate.

Henry Winslow & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt's Crows Creek Family Home by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 16 August 2010

Back in the early 1990's Bonnie and I were attending the Pratt-Graddy family reunion in Bourbon, Missouri. They always held the reunion on the 2nd Saturday of each September.

After much coaxing, I was able to convince Dad, Uncle Jim and Aunt Edith to take me to Henry Winslow Pratt's cabin location on Crows Creek. I had never been there and after all these years I now knew some history of that property. I wanted to research the property and surroundings taking pictures for future posterity.

So, with about 15 to 20 people, piled into several cars, we drove out of Bourbon to Sullivan took Highway D to Sappington Road and drove down to Thickey Ford Road near Greens Branch creek...I think. I think we had to cross Greens Branch to get to the cabin's location because there were no roads into the property.

When we got to the section where Thickey Ford Road makes a sharp left, the dirt road continued straight on down the hill...but, at the entrance of someone's property there was a padlocked gate so, we had to park our cars up by the gate and walk to the creek.

We walked down the hill towards the creek about 100 yards and when we got to the creek, the 2 wheeled road drove right into the creek and up the other side. You've seen those roads, where you have weeds and grass growing up in-between where the wheels drove. The creek was about 30 feet wide but not very deep.

It had rained the night before and the creek was up to about our knees-waist and it was flowing rather quickly and it was *cold*.

I was excited about being able to see the cabin location that Columbus Francis Missey had owned and gave to Henry & wife; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt family.

Uncle Jim knew the most about the location and said that when they were little, he and his brothers used to visit the cabin before it burned down. Now all that was left was a rock foundation and maybe a chimney. He said he would like to take a metal detector and look for old coins around the cabin.

I was of course, gung ho! And ready to wade the creek but the rest being of older years, feigned off and I did not get to cross the creek and walk to the Pratt family home site. Uncle Jim said it was quite a ways up the hill.

So, my fellow readers, cousins, brothers, nieces, nephews, grandchildren and children I can not give you an exact location or my impressions of the area...maybe one day, you may get to visit it.

Besides my 30-year insurance career, I also held two real estate licenses; one for Gundaker Realty in St. Charles, Missouri (about 1992-1993) and one for All Aces Century 21 Real Estate Company in Bradenton, Florida (1995-1996).

One of the purposes of getting a real estate license besides making money-selling properties was to teach myself how to read maps. This has come in handy when reading deed records and looking for ancestor's property.

In the C2G Profile of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé, I list the exact location of that property he bought on Crows Creek in 1890.

That property he lived at from 1890 to 1911, when Henry & family moved in, I guess it became too much for Lum, because the Sullivan Sentinel newspaper article on 3 November 1911 said Lum was moving to Bourbon, Missouri.

I imagine Lum's second wife; Mary Lavina (**CAUFIELD**) Missey may not have liked being crammed into a small cabin with Henry's large family.

He left Henry and Mary the house on Crow's Creek and Lum and wife moved to Bourbon where Lum died on 26 April 1916.

So, there you have it, one of my disappointments of life...locating the cabin where my 2nd great grandfather; François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé (Lum) lived and owned, where my great grandfather Henry Winslow Pratt (Win) lived and died (1914) and where my grandfather; Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt (Lum) was born (1896).

Who knows, maybe...one day I may still get there yet. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2010

1970 John McCormick's Book (as it was written)

"Forest Hills and Vicinity" by John Steele McCormick, 1970, states the following about Henry Winslow Pratt family, Page 376:

Over a century ago Alex Pratt came from Pennsylvania and settled on Brazeal Creek and Greens Branch. He married a Kimberlin. Their four children were.

I. Henry Winslow,

II. Rynard,

III. Carric,

IV. Cleave.

Henry Winslow Pratt married Laura M. Missey, daughter of Columbus and Cynthia (**TALBOT**) Missey. They were the parents of the following eight children:

- 1. Columbus, b. Nov. 1, 1893; d. July 27, 19; married April 12, 1919, Rue Johnson, daughter of James Millard and Mary Jane "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson of Bourbon. The family always lived in or near to Bourbon. Their children;
- A. Edith, who married Chester Skaggs.
- B. Carl, m. Mary of St. Louis.
- C. Roy, of near Steelville.
- D. Floyd, who with his family of wife and three sons lives in Sioux Falls, S.D. where he is executive vice- president of Atlas Life Insurance Company and is regarded as a leading efficiency expert.

- E. Nadine, who died young.
- F. James, of California.
- 2. Jesse L., b. 1895; d. 1962; buried National Cemetery at Jefferson Barracks; of Leasburg; m. Nadine (SKAGGS).
- 3. Allan
- 4. VirgilL of Bourbon m Eula, daughter of Pete Richardson of Steelville.
- 5. Arthur, b. Jan 2, 1902; d. May 7, 1961; m. (1) Hazel Belle Stall of Kansas City; m. (2) Mrs. Beulah Cross of Detroit, Mich.; no children.
- 6. Mary
- 7. Ruth, b. Aug. 8, 1904; d. Sept. 26, 1961; married Oct. 23 1919, Allan Graddy of Coffeyton, Oct. 23, 1919; all their children attended Forest Hill School.
- 8. Orville, of Kansas City.

There was also a John Pratt family whose descendants spread into northern Crawford County. This family came from Tennessee, but if related to the Alex Pratt family, it is not known. John A. Blanton of Sullivan married Sarah (PRATT) of this family. There were two other wives.

The 1850 census, always unsatisfactory, especially in giving initials instead of given names of member of the families, lists a Pratt family in Crawford County at this date as follows: "J. Pratt, age 23, b. in Ohio, and his wife, R. Pratt, aged 20, b. in N.C." and their two sons: N.C. aged 3 and J.M. aged one both here." (end of article)

Research Rebuttal

This is the entirety of the text. However it is riddled with errors. When John McCormick was gathering information for his book, he sent letters to all the surnames he could find in the Crawford, Washington, Franklin county areas. One of these letters came to Floyd Theodore Pratt, my father.

Dad, not knowing a great deal about ancestors sent a copy of the letter to Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt his mother; my grandmother. She wrote what she knew on letter paper about the Pratt, Johnson and allied families and sent it back to Dad in Sioux Falls, South Dakota where we lived in 1961. Dad added his comments to the information and sent all he knew with Grandmother's information and sent it to Mr. McCormick. Without my grandmother's effort there would have been no reference to the Pratt's let alone related families.

Concerning the validity of the information, as you know by now Alexander R. Pratt was born in Monroe County, Tennessee in 1831-1832. After a forced march on the "Trail of Tears" with his family, Henry and Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt jumped trail in Crawford County, Missouri and by the 1840 census had settled in Richwoods Twp, Washington, Missouri.

After some time, Henry and family settled in what is now called the Hamilton Hollow area of the Johnson Township of Washington County, Missouri.

In 1856 Alexander 1st married Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) daughter of Rhinard & Frances Jane (**PETERS**) Kimberlin(g). Alexander and Mary had 8 children; (1) Mary Ellen (**PRATT**) married James Franklin Studdard; (2) Michael Pratt died young; (3) Stonewall Jackson Pratt married Mary Louise (**TAYLOR**); (4) Frances "Fannie" Minerva (**PRATT**) 1st married Jackman Whiteside, 2nd David McDonald Campbell; (5) Polina "Lina" (**PRATT**) married Thomas Livey Callahan; (6) Henry Winslow Pratt married Laura Mary Magdalene

(MISSEY); (7) Rhinehart "Rinard" Pratt never married; (8) Minnie (PRATT) married George William Richter.

On 20 August 1885, Alexander Pratt married 2nd; Catherine Adaline (**DUGAN**) they had 2 children; (1) Carac Francis Pratt married Olivea Jane (**JARVIS**); (2) Cleveland Pratt died young. It appears according to family tradition, Catherine Adaline (**DUGAN**) Pratt died in childbirth in 1892.

Even though John McCormick's article was full or errors, written back in 1970, it gave me a roadmap to verify and validate the information I discovered about the Pratt family...thank you, John McCormick...good job, well done. And thank you Dad and Grandmother Rue. -Floyd Thomas Pratt 2009]

1994 Newspaper Article

Bourbon Beacon Newspaper, Thursday, February 24, 1994 page 12 (as it was written) "The Henry Winslow Pratt Family" by Submitted by Harry H. Missey & James King Over a century ago Alex Pratt came from Pennsylvania and settle on Brazil Creek and Green's Branch. He married a Kimberlin. Their four children were Henry Winslow, Rynard, Carric, and Cleave.

Henry Winslow Pratt married Laura M. Missey, daughter of Columbus and Cynthia (Talbot) Missey.

They were parents of the following eight children:

Columbus was born on November 1,1893 and died on July 27, 19__. He married Rue Johnson, daughter of James Millard and Mary Jane "Dosia" (Barton) Johnson of Bourbon on April 12, 1919. The family always lived in or near Bourbon. Their children were: Edith, who married Chester Skaggs; Carl who .married Mary of St. Louis; Roy, who married Bernice Clark; Floyd, who married Dorothy Bebmini; James who moved to California; Nadine who died young.

Jess L. Pratt was born in 1895 and died in 1962 and was buried in the National Cemetery at Jefferson Barracks. He married Nadine Skaggs.

Virgil Pratt of Bourbon married Eula Richardson, daughter of Pete Richardson of Steelville. Children of Virgil and Eula (Richardson) Pratt were: Rosalee married Jim Mayberry, Thelma married Dave Roland, Mary married Calvin Ivy, Don married Wilma George; Eugene married Lucille?; Virginia married Leonard Slabert.

Arthur Pratt was born on January 2,1902 and died on May 7,1961. He married (1) Hazel Belle Stall of Kansas City, and then (2) married Mrs. Beulah Cross of Detroit, Ml. There were no children born to either union.

Mary died young and is buried at Harrison Cemetery.

Ruth was born on August 8,1904 and died on September 26, 1961, She married Allan Graddy of Coffeyton, on October 23, 1919, All 14 of their children attended Forest Hill School. Their children were: Dorothy who married Ernest Wilaker; Mildred married Allie Hurst; Bill who married Parline Davis; Harold who married a Mick, first name not know; Hilda who married PEarl Phillips; Ed married Cathleen Reeves; Evelyn who the A. Schmidt; Ben who married Evelyn Vayless; Don who married Faye Broy; Hazel married Ronnie Pennock; Dean married Pearl ?; Cecil married Rose Mary Madison; Betty married Leo Mayberry; and Ronnie who married Kathy McMillian.

Orville married Olive Mellow. Three children were bom to this union. They lived in Kansas City. Their and children were Orville, Jr., Kenneth, and Kathleen.

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County. This family came from Tennessee, but if realted to the Alex Pratt family, it is not known. John A. Blanton of Sullivan, married Sarah Pratt of this family. There were two other wives.

The 1850 census, always unsatisfactory, especially in giving initials instead of given anmes of member of families, lists a Pratt family in Crawford County at this date as follows: "I J Pratt, age 23, born in Ohio, and his wife, R. Pratt, age 20, born in North Carolina and their two sons: N C aged 3, and J M aged one, both were born here." (end of article)

Research Rebuttal

This is what happens when people take other people's information without research or collboration. As you probably already have seen the simularities between the John McCormick book and the above information Harry wrote in this article. When Harry was alive in 1990's I visited him at his home in Leasburg and he gave me many newspaper articles about the people of Crawford County. I have those in my collection of family artifacts. He admitted he did not do any research and just collected other people's information for his weekly article in the Bourbon Beacon. This prompted my decision to submit articles to the Bourbon Beacon about families of Crawford County but the difference being, my material would be original with documented evidence. That's when I sent my articles to the Bourbon Beacon for about a year before they went out of business.

Concerning the article above, on the newspaper original that I have in the Henry Winslow Pratt family file, it is unknown to me where I got that article or who had written on it and made corrections. So, I did not write on it but maybe it was in Grandmother Rue's stuff that dad had given me. However, the following are the facts.

First of all Alexander Pratt married <u>Mary</u> Kimberlin, daughter of Rinhard (Rhinehart) Kimberlin(g) and Frances Jane (**PETERS**). Alex was from Tennessee not Pennsylvania. Looking at the 1860 census it looks like the censustaker wrote PENN for a birthplace for Alex but if you compare the T's you will see it acutally is TENN for Tennessee. Alex and Mary had 8 children. Alex married 2nd Miss Catherine Adlaine (**DUGAN**) and had sons; Carric & Cleveland Pratt.

Children of Alex and Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) Pratt: (1) Mary Ellen (**PRATT**) married James Franklin Studdard; (2) Michael Pratt died young; (3) Stonewall Jackson Newton Pratt married Mary "Mollie" Louise (**TAYLOR**); (4) Frances "Fannie" Manerva (**PRATT**) married 1st Jackman Whiteside, 2nd David McDonald Campbell; (5) Paulina "Lina" (**PRATT**) married Thomas Livey Callahan; (6) Henry Winslow "Win" married Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**); (7) Rhinehart "Rinard" Pratt never married; (8) Minnie (**PRATT**) married George William Richter.

Children of Alex and Catherine Adaline (**DUGAN**) Pratt: (1) Carac Francis Pratt married Olivea Jane (**JARVIS**); (2) Cleveland Pratt died young.

Children of Henry "Win" Winslow and Larua (MISSEY) Pratt all 8 of them: [Henry & Laura children are listed as 1a, 2a, 3, etc.]
(1a) Columbus was born 1 November 1893 in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri and died 27 July 1947. He married Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) daughter of Judge James Millard Sr. and Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson of Bourbon on 12 April 1919.

Children of Columbus & Rue (**JOHNSON**) Pratt all 6 of them: (1) Mary Edith (**PRATT**) married Chester Milford Skaggs; (2) Carl Benjamin married Mary Theresa (**BRESCIA**); (3) Roy Lee married 1st Mary Jane (**STEIDEL**), 2nd Gladys Louise (**EATON**), 3rd Bernice Irene (**STRAIN**); (4) Floyd Theodore married 1st Delores Virginia (**BROWN**), 2nd Dorothy (**BEDNAREK**); (5) James Henry married **Evelin Juantia (MILLER)**; (6) Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**) died young.

(2a) Jesse Lee Pratt born 23 November 1894 and died 12 August 1962 married Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) no children.

Note: When you have amatuers giving information without documentation and proven research, mistakes like the above article are written. Harry states in the article that Winslow and Laura had the following 8 children and then he names only 7 of them leaving Albert Paris Pratt completely out of the article.

Remember, genealogy without documentation is mythology .- Floyd Thomas Pratt

(3a)	Albert Paris Pratt born 28 June	1897	and died	111	August	1936.	He married	d Mary
() Shepard. No children.				_			

(4a) Virgil Ranson Pratt born 4 July 1899 and died 21 January 1971. He married Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) daughter of <u>William Eli "Pete" and Jessie (COFFMAN)</u>
Richardson.

Children of Virgil and Eua (RICHARDSON) Pratt all 6 of them: (1) Rosalie Ruth (PRATT) married James "Jim" William Mayberry; (2) Thelma Dorothy (PRATT) married David Andrew Rowland; (3) Mary Jessie (PRATT) married Calvin Mason Ivie; (4) Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt married Tommie (MULLENS); (5) Donald Virgil Pratt married Wilma Laverne (GEORGE); (6) Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt married Joann (GARCIA); (7) Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT) married Leonard Edward Slankard.

- (5a) Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt born 3 January 1902 and died 7 May 1961. He married 1st Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall, 2nd Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) Beauton Spoel Cross, no children.
- (6a) Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) born 8 August 1904 died 26 September 1961 married Rufus Allen Graddy.

Children of Rufus & Ruth (**PRATT**) Graddy all 14 of them: (1) Dorothy Mae (**GRADDY**) married Ernest Otha <u>Whitaker</u>; (2) Mildred Opal (**GRADDY**) married Allie Hurst; (3) William Allen Graddy married <u>Pearline</u> (**DAVIS**); (4) Hilda Mary (**GRADDY**) married <u>Murrel</u> Clay Phillips; (5) Harold Lee Graddy married Mildred "Mickey" (<u>MARTIN</u>); (6) Edward James Graddy married <u>Kathleen</u> (**REEVES**); (7) Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) married <u>Virgil Charles</u> Schmitt; (8) Benjamin Lewis Graddy married Evelyn (**BAYLESS**); (9) Donald Earl Graddy married Faye (<u>BRAY</u>); (10) Cecil Arthur Graddy married 1st Rosemary Ann Hartl (**FOLEY**), 2nd Frances Marie (**MANUES**); (11) Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) married <u>Rolan</u> Charles Pennock; (12) Laird Dean Graddy married Pearl (<u>LITAKER</u>); (13) Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) married Leo Mayberry; (14) Ronald Francis Graddy married Cathy (**McMILLIEN**).

- (7a) Mary (**PRATT**) born 12 June 1907 and died 7 October 1918 never married, died young.
- (8a) Orville Hayes Pratt born 17 December 1911 and died 11 June 1980 married 1st Mary Olive (MALLOW) they had 3 children; (1) Orville Willard Pratt married Patricia Janet (BARNES); (2) Kenneth Lee Pratt married Joan Marie (BENOIST); (3) Kathleen Mae (PRATT) married Gayle Starling; Orville's 2nd wife Marie Virginia (PARSLEY), no children.

Concerning the John Pratt family that Harry refers to, no connection can be found at this time. However, Harry's information was wrong again because the Sarah (**PRATT**) he mentions is not the daughter of John Pratt but the daughter of Henry & Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt.

Sarah Ann (**PRATT**) born 31 October 1834 and died 7 December 1896 married John Anderson Blanton son of Joshua and Benthany (**HARMON**) Blanton. After Sarah Ann died, John Blanton married 2nd Emma J. (**TROUTT**), 3rd wife ______ (**SKAGGS**).

Harry speaks of another J. Pratt in the 1850 census but I have not been able to connect him to the above Pratts. All the above information is documented in my 35 years of research database.-Floyd Thomas Pratt 2008]

Why did Alexander R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt name one of their sons; Henry Winslow Pratt?

by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2009

The name Winslow is so unusual it is hard to determine where it came from. I can find no references or articles to famous people carrying that name circa 1860's or around the time of Henry Winslow Pratt's birth (1869). I can not find any family member in the Pratt, Carter, Blanton or Kimberlin lines that carried the Winslow name. However, there is a long shot I found through my research efforts, that may have a clue to the origin of the name.

David Jackson Staples married Mary Pratt (**WINSLOW**) in Boston, Massachusetts in 1848. This was the same year that gold had been discovered on the American River in California. David decided he had to go west to seek his fortune and with 25 men, including Mary's brother George Winslow from Newton, Massachusetts and her Uncle Jesse Winslow and others, formed the Boston-Newton Joint Stock Association.

In 1848 and with the intent of going to California to participate in the gold rush, David Staples kept a journal of the trip. Traveling by train and lake steamer they reached Ohio without incident. After reaching Cairo, Illinois by April 27th and heading north to Saint Louis (City) for provisions, the party was spurred on by a cholera epidemic in St. Louis and left for Independence, Missouri by paddleboat up the Missouri River.

On May 27th, Staples wrote of Indians, mule trouble, double-teaming the wagons through the wet prairie, *a party"....returning haveing lost a husband father and friend of Cholera*." Who this was and the party that returned is not mentioned. But, on June 8th, George Winslow died in Nebraska from cholera. David Staples and party continued on to California and in 1862, David was one of the founders of the Fireman's Fund Insurance

Company, in San Francisco.

A Rose by any other name...

The following questions and assumptions are based on several coincidences from the David Jackson Staples story. These queries are meant to provoke contemplation and engage the reader into action, so someone, somewhere will desire to investigate and find some answers.

- (1) Could the Mary Pratt (**WINSLOW**) from Newton, Massachusetts, that married David Staples have been a relative of Alexander or one of the other Pratts?
- (2) Was Alexander Pratt familiar with the Boston Pratts?
- (3) When the Staples party left St. Louis by paddleboat, they probably traveled the Missouri River.
- (4) They may have stopped at Hannibal, Missouri for provisions. Hannibal is not far from our Pratts in Crawford County.
- (5) Did the Staples-Winslow party stop and visit with the Pratts from Crawford County, Missouri?
- (6) One thing is known...Alexander Pratt went to the California gold fields in 1848-1849. This story was passed down by Alexander to his son; Carac who told his son; Orville, who told me in the 1980's before he died about Alex making the trip to California.
- (7) I have always speculated that if 17 year-old Alexander went west in 1848 to California for gold, he didn't go alone. I believe some of his brother's and maybe his father; Henry Pratt accompanied him.
- (8) Let's take this one step further, could Henry & Alexander and his brothers have hooked up with the David Staples party when they were going through Missouri at about the same time?
- (9) Could Henry Pratt, who we know was alive in 1842, could he have died on the trail out west? His wife, Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt is a widow by the 8 October 1850 census date. After 35 years of researching, we still do not know where or when Henry Pratt died.
- (10) David Staples' Journal says that " a party of their group lost a husband father and friend due to the cholera epidemic and returned". Could this have been Henry Pratt who died on the trail and his sons returned home to Crawford County, Missouri?
- (11) Alexander is in the 1850 census of Crawford County, Missouri with his mother and brothers. Why didn't he continue his westward trek to the gold fields of California? What would force him to return prematurely? Maybe the death of their father?
- (12) Did Alexander's association with the Staples and Winslow men on the trail create an impression on Alexander, that in 1869 he named one of his sons--Henry after his grandfather and Winslow after his good friend George Winslow of Newton, Massachusetts?

- (13) Alexander's son; Stonewall Jackson Pratt after reaching adulthood, dropped the "Stonewall" and took the middle name of "Newton". All the while he was alive in Columbia, Missouri since his adult life he was known as Jackson "Jack" Newton Pratt. Where did he get the name of Newton...from Newton, Massachusetts?
- (14) Henry Winslow Pratt named one of his sons, Jesse Lee Pratt in 1894. I can find no previous references to the name Jesse in the Pratt, Kimberlin, Missey families other than Carter family which I am sure they, meaning Henry Winslow Pratt, was not aware of...Jesse Carter Sr. his great-grandfather. The Pratts did not have any written record of their family history so I am sure Jesse Carter Sr. was unknown to them. I think Henry Winslow Pratt named Jesse Pratt after Jesse Winslow from Newton, Massachusetts, who accompanied his father, Alex and David Stapes westward to California.
- (15) Once again Boston, Massachusetts pops up in my research. If the above hypothesis has any creditability, then maybe there was something to my great Aunt Eula's story about one of Jackson Pratt's boys stealing some Boston deeds from Laura (MISSEY) Pratt in the late 1920's or early 1930's. More on that story can be found in my article, " Who Stole the Deeds?" Should be noted that many older family members retold the stolen deed story to me, not just my great Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt.

I have a book titled "Still Flying and Nailed to the Mast", The First Hundred Years of the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, by William Bronson, © 1963 by Doubleday & Company, Ins. Garden City, New York. This book gives an accounting of some of the journals of David Staples and the hardships they faced on their journey to California from Boston.

When my father was in the insurance business and owned his own agency, he contracted with Fireman's Fund Insurance Company as an agent (around 1969) and they gave him this book. He later gave me the book. Little did I know the mysteries I would find concerning the Staples, Winslow and Pratt families within its pages. I found it strange that the founder of the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company had married Mary Pratt (WINSLOW). I realize without more collaborating evidence, the above hypothesis is purely speculation. In any case there are some coincidences that can not be overlooked. -Floyd Thomas Pratt 2009

Further Research

The above article was written to invoke an interest in someone pursuing additional research into the David Staples story and his involvement in the Gold rush of 1848-1849. Through "new" research, maybe additional information may be found concerning the location of Mr. Staples' gold mining operations and a report on his successes or failures in pursuit of the elusive mineral. For instance, if he became wealthy from his mining venture, was his wealth the capitol for financing the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company? Was there a record of the men who also lived at Mr. Staples's mining camp in California? Could any of our Pratts be on that list? Could any of our Pratts have filed a deed or became involved in property transactions? Checking with the archives of the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company based in San Francisco may hold some of these answers.

If there are any readers who want to pursue this research, I still have the book " <u>Still</u> <u>Flying and Nailed to the Mast</u>", The First Hundred Years of the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, by William Bronson, © 1963 by Doubleday & Company, Ins. Garden City, New

York. It is for sale.

As more and more information is discovered in dusty courthouses concerning our ancestors, new information will help rewrite their history. In any case, in the Crawford County area, Henry Winslow Pratt was known by his contemporaries as "Win" Pratt. -Floyd Thomas Pratt 2013

My Mission Statement by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

The above information has taken 35 years to track down, collect, aquire and accumulate. When I began my research into the Pratt family in 1975, to fufill the requirements of my church, very little was known about the Pratts.

Some knew of Winslow Pratt, only one person I met within the Pratt circle of family members knew of Alex Pratt, but just his name, but none not even the Blanton researchers had the facts straight or had done any serious research.

The research process was hard and difficult. Information could be obtained from very limited sources. Libraries, courthouses, cemeteries and personal stories from those who had lived and made history. Many hours were spent in front of microfilm machines looking at page after page, rolls after rolls of microfilm hoping to find your ancestor. Cemetery after cemetery were visited when one could make time between rasing a family and working to support that family.

In the process, I met many new friends and shared stories with people, like ships passing in the night, sharing what I knew and finding out what they knew. This research process has and always will be a collective effort.

The research process required me to drive hundreds if not thousands of miles and led me into dusty record rooms of old courthouses, hundreds of cemeteries, small libraires in little towns across the United States documenting and looking for my roots and origins.

I traveled in pursuit of the truth from coast to coast, we have been to Washington D.C. to the Library of Congress, the Library of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the National Archives to name a few places.

I have sat in the chairs of Senators of Congress and seen the great hall, have picked up from the dirt a hand made nail in Spotsylvania, Virginia from my wife's family ancestral homestead. Brought back a homemade brick from the same ancestral home.

Have copied countless numbers of documents from all over this country and spent a small fortune in pursuit of the great question...Who was I, why was I here and who were those who had blazed trails before me? And most important of all...Why wasn't I rich?

I was not only able to answer those questions, but much, much more.

I discovered our Cherokee heritage and felt the sadness and heartbreak of Henry, Nancy and children leaving our Tennessee homeland, forced by bayonet on the "Trail of Tears",

suffering the loss of children and family members on the journey. Having to jump the "trail" in order to prevent confinment in another concentration camp in Indian Territory...now known as Oklahoma.

I have walked over the hills of Monroe County, Tennessee on land where my Pratts and Carters lived.

Feeling, the struggle of the Pratts as they marched in the cold, without means and food to march over 800 miles to a strange land where they did not want to go to. Because of their Cherokee heritage, they were denied the rights of other men, to vote, to own land and to prosper as white men prospered.

Hiding in the caves of Johnson Township, Washington County, Missouri, from the US Army so they would not be forced to go to Indian territory, the cave they hid in is now named Pratt Cave by the Missouri Army Corps of Engineers.

Henry and sons, building a log cabin on the bluff overlooking Pratt Spring, while white men like Absalom Blanton who married Henry's sister Cynthia, a Cherokee princess, was able to buy land and develope a mining operation and build a manison in what used to be called Blanton Hollow is now known as Hamiton Hollow.

Living in fear of the government, Henry and family scratched a meek meager existance as did other natives in the region. Eventually, their sons and daughters had children who attended schools and became prosperous. Leaving a proud legacy for future generations.

I climbed the hills to see Blanton Cemetery and on the other hill, Hamilton Cemetery and found the unmarked graves of many of my ancestors. Many indentations of a burial site with a rock or a mason glass jar as a headstone, with artifacts inside, as was Cherokee custom.

So, remember my reader, while you bask in your proud heritage of your pioneer ancestors, remember...they walked over the bones of my native ancestors to get where they were going. Since my Pratts are only one line, I am a man in conflict, because the rest of my ancestors were those Euroupean pioneers.

Has my life been enriched because of my genealogy research? Indeed. Do I have any regrets, none, just wish I had more time on this earth to continue more research and find the answers to some intriguing questions. But, I leave that to you, the next generations, to find the answers...or not.

I and many like me have given you a road map to follow and pointed you in the right direction to find your family. To answer your questions for instance, "Who do you think you are?" I have found my answers and I challenge the next generation to magnify what you have been given and leave a true legacy for your children and grandchildren. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 3 June 2010

Henry married Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY), daughter of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missey and Cynthia N. (TALBOTT), on 29 January 1893 in Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States. Mary was born on 20 February 1874 in Johnson Township, Washington County, Missouri, United States, died on 17 April 1938 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 64, and was buried on 20 April 1938 in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 17 August 2010

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...

Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt about 1914-1916

Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1874 Birthblock for Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) daughter of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" & Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missé Missey

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 20 February 1874.

Date from 1880 census states she was born in 1874 in Missouri.

Date from 1900 census states she was born February 1876 in Missouri.

Date from 1910 census states she was born 1875 in Missouri.

Date from 1920 census states she was born 1875 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states she was born 1874 in Missouri.

Date from death certificate states she was born 20 July 1874.

Date from headstone states she was born 20 July 1874.

[This is another instance where the birthdate is not conclusive. In the 1900 census at age 24 she states she was born in February 1876. Her parents in the 1880 census states she was born in 1874. On the death certificate her son, Virgil was the informant and he made errors on the death certificate. Therefore, apparently he really didn't know when she was born. I believe that the 20th day was correct, that February was the correct month and 1874 was the correct year. Therefore, I'm going with 20 February 1874.]

Name Variations

I was told that her name was Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY), however, her mother in the 1880 census states her name is Mary Laura (MISSEY). Therefore since we are striving to record accuarate information she will be recorded as Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY). Also, my father; Floyd Theodore Pratt gave me the information of the middle name of Magdalene.

1876 Childbirth of brother; Robert Judson Missey

Robert Judson Missey was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 4 February 1876.

1879 Childbirth of brother; Frank Carter Missey

Frank Carter Missey was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 20 March 1879

1879 Death of grandmother; Laura (FARRIS) Talbot

Laura (**FARRIS**) Talbot died in Liberty Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 16 April 1879.

1880 Federal Census age 6

Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 85b, 11 June 1880, line 38, house 93, family 98

MESEY, Columbus head w m 35; Cinthy wife w f 32; Albert P. son w m 12; John B. son w m 10; Lee C. son w m 8; Mary L. dau w f 6; Robert J. son w m 4; Franck C. son w m 1 [All born in Missouri including parents except Cinthia's parents were born in Kentucky. Columbus is a farmer. They are living next door to his parents; John & Mary Francoise (**PIQUETTE**) Missey family.]

1880-1900 Death of grandfather; Jean "John" Baptiste Missey

Jean "John" Baptiste Missey died in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States after 11 June 1880 census date and before 1 June 1900 census date where his widow is living with son; Columbus F. Missey family.

1880-1890 Family Move

From Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1881 Childbirth of brother; Ambrose James Missey

Ambrose James Missey was born Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 9 August 1881.

1884 Childbirth of brother; Edmun Forrest Missey

Edmond Forrest Missey was born Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 29 August 1884.

1884-1888 Family Move

From Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States according to the 1890 census.

1885 Father's Pension Application

Columbus F. Missey applies for a pension at Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States. On 11 January 1886, the Department of Interior requested a report on the above pension to verify the records. The war department verified his enlistment in the Union Army but could not verify his illness. Therefore, it looks his application was denied even though I have found no written disposition.

1888 Childbirth of sister; Gertrude (MISSEY)

Gertrude (**MISSEY**) was born in Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 March 1888 and died 12 November 1888 according to Rev. Albert Paris Missey's journal.

1890 Father's Federal Special Census of Special Schedule of Surviving Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines, and Widows, etc.

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, June 1890, line 22, house 106, family 106 **MISSEY**, Columbus Service - Union Rank - private Company - G Name of Regiment or

Vessel - 8 Mo Inf Date of Enlistment - (left blank) Date of Discharge - (left blank) Length of Service - 1 year Disability Incurred - Contracted Diareha

1890 Father's Property Transaction

U.S. General Land Office Records, 1796-1907

Name:Columbus F Missey Issue Date:1 November 1890 State of Record:Missouri Acres:40 Accession Number:MO3400__.294 Metes and Bounds:No Land Office:Booneville Canceled:No US Reservations:No Mineral Reservations:No Authority:May 20, 1862: Homestead EntryOriginal (12 Stat. 392) Document Number:4343 Legal Land Description: Section 11, Twp 39-N, Range 2-W, Meridian 5th PM, Counties: Crawford The NW¼ in Section 11, in Township 39 North of Range Two West of the 5th principal meridian an in Missouri containing 40 acres. [This property in located off of Crows Creek. Close to Thickey Ford Road.]

1893 Marriage of Henry Winslow Pratt and Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY)

Crawford County, Missouri, Marriage Record Book "E", page 172

"William H. Pratt and Laura M. Missey, State of Missouri County of Crawford, This license authorizes any Judge, Justice of the Peace, Licensed or Ordained Preacher of the Gospel, or any other person authorized under the Laws of this State, to Solemnize Marriage between William H. Pratt of Vilander County of Crawford and State of Missouri, who is over the age of twenty-one years; and Laura M. Missey of Vilander in the County of Crawford and State of Missouri, who is over the age of eighteen years. This is to certify, that undersigned a Minister of the Gospel did at residence of the bride in said County, on the 29th day of January A.D. 1893, unite in marriage the above named persons. M. A. Clayton"

[Should be noted that this is the only reference to Winslow's name as William. I attribute this error to the county clerk or minister recording this marriage due to their lack of familiarity with Henry Winslow Pratt. Laura (MISSEY)'s residence was with her father; Columbus Francis Missey at Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.]

1893 Childbirth of son; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt was born 1 December 1893 at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. [Concerning his place of birth, my grandmother, Rue (JOHNSON) Pratt told me Lum was born in Catawissa, Calvey Twp, Franklin, Missouri. However, this is contrary to the location of his parent's residence which was at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Since the 1890 census was destroyed by fire, we do not have the location of his parent's exact residence. The 1880 census states his father was in Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri and the 1900 census states his father lived in Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri since both censuses are in Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri then I would conclude that he was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri not Catawissa, Calvey Twp, Franklin, Missouri. Also, on his brother's, Jesse Lee Pratt's death certificate, it states that Jess was born near Sullivan, Missouri. Since Sullivan is the closest town to Hamilton Hollow then this also supports my assumtion that Columbus was born in Hamilton Hollow. Without stronger evidence supporting the Catawissa birthplace, I believe that Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Therefore, until new proof can be found to support the Catawissa birthplace, henceforth based on the above evidence I stand by my presumptive conclusions.]-Floyd Thomas Pratt 2009

1894 Childbirth of son; Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt

Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt was born 23 November 1894 near Sullivan, at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States.

1896 Death of mother; Cynthia N. (TALBOTT) Missey

Cynthia N. (**TALBOTT**) Missey died in Crows Creek, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 28 March 1896.

1897 Childbirth of son; Albert "Al" Paris Pratt

Albert "Al" Paris Pratt was born 28 June 1897 at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States.

1899 Childbirth of son; Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt was born 4 July 1899 at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States.

1900 Federal Census age 26

Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 8b, 15 June 1900, line 65, dwelling 131, family 135,

PRATT, Henry W. 2 m born September 1871 age 28; <u>Laura wife w f born February 1876</u> age 24; Lum son w m born December 1893 age 6; Jessie son w m born November 1894 age 5; Albert son w m born June 1897 age 3; Virgile son w m born July 1899 age 10.12 [All born in Missouri as were their parents except Henry's father was born in Tennessee. Living next door to David & Fannie (PRATT) Campbell, Henry's sister. Laura says they have been married 7 years and she has had 4 children and 4 are living.]

1900-1902 Family Move

From Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1902 Childbirth of son; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt was born 3 January 1902 in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1904 Childbirth of daughter; Ruth Jane (PRATT)

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) was born 8 August 1904 in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1904-1907 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1907 Childbirth of daughter; Mary Senter (PRATT)

Mary Senter (**PRATT**) was born 12 June 1907 at Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1910 Federal Census age 36

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242, family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; Jessie L. son

w m 15; Albert P. son w m 13; Virgil R. son w m 9; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. This is their first marriage and they have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single. Living a few doors down from John & Susan (WEST) Studdard family. Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey, Laura's father. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and son-in-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C. F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1911 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

1911 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

1911 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section: *C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.*

1911 Childbirth of son; Orville Haves Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt was born 17 December 1911 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1914 Death of Spouse; Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt

Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt died on 24 March 1914 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1914-1918 Family Move

From Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. It appears after the death of Winslow, Mary took the family back to Bourbon where in 1918 her daughter Mary died in Bourbon and where Mary listed her residence on the death certificate.

1916 Death of father: Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Misse

Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Misse died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 April 1916.

1914-1916 Postcard

It looks like my Grandmother Rue (**JOHNSON**) Pratt's writing of the names on the postcard which states..."Mrs. Laura Pratt, Ruth Pratt, Mary Pratt and Arvill Pratt". The other writing says "from Mother to Lum" that looks like Laura's writing and addressed to her son, "Columbus "Lum" Pratt, Patsy, Missouri". This was in the possession of my Aunt Evelin Juanita (**MILLER**) Pratt, wife of James Henry Pratt and she sent a copy of the picture and postcard to my father with the following note, "This picture was a postal card that Luara Pratt sent to your father. I have copied it for you. In case you wonder, Patsy, Missouri was around Cherry Valley. Don't know what he was doing there unless he was doing a home. Juanita." Lum worked in masonry and was a tie maker. Unknown, if this took place before the death of Henry Winslow Pratt in 1914 on afterwards. I figure the date to be circa 1914-1916 because Ruth looks like she is 10-11, Mary looks like she is 6-7, Orville looks like he is 3-4 years old. Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2009

1918 Son's World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name:Albert Paris Pratt, Sullivan, Missouri Birthplace:Sullivan, Missouri Birth Date:28
February 1897 Roll:1683163 DraftBoard:0 Nearest relative: <u>Laura Pratt, Katwassa, Missouri</u> Date: 5 June 1918

Albert P Pratt was in the Army in WW1. Mo. PFC WWI

1918 Family Move

From 5 June 1918 lived at Rt#1, Catawissa, Calvey Twp, Franklin County, Missouri, United States and moved before 12 September 1918 to Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1918 Son's World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name:Virgel Ransom Pratt City:Patsy County:Crawford State:Missouri Birth Date:4 July 1899 Race:White Roll:1683163 DraftBoard:0 Date: 12 September 1918. Farming for self. Nearest relative: <u>Laura Pratt, Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States</u>

1918 Family Move

From 12 September 1918 lived at Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford County, Missouri, United States before 7 October 1918 to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford Crawford, Missouri, United States

1918 Death of daughter: Mary Center (PRATT)

Mary Senter (**PRATT**) died at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 7 October 1918.

Laura Pratt listed as residence on death certificate at Bourbon, Missouri.

1920 Federal Census age 46

Walnut Street, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 166a, 5 January 1920, line 33, house 61, family 65

PRATT, Laura M. head w f 45; Virgil R. son w m 20; Arthur H. son w m 17; Arville J. son w m 8

[All born in Missouri as was their parents ecept Laura says her mother was born in England. Laura is a widow and renting this house and she and her sons could read and write. Virgil and Arthur worked in the coal mines as miners. They were living next door to Alfred Webster & Mary Eva (GINTZ) Barton and a few doors down from James Millard Sr. & Emily (KING)

Johnson family.]

1930 Federal Census age 56

Bourbon Town, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 171a, 2 April 1930, line 26, house 36, family 37

PRATT, Mary L. head w f 56; Arvil H. son w m 19

[All born in Missouri as was their parents. Laura, a widow, was first married at age 19. Arvil is single and is a helper at the Hartung Transporation Company.]

1938 Death of Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #18112 As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Laura Pratt April _, 1938 Crawford 18112 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

"Laura Pratt white widowed female born 20 July 1874 in Crawford County, Missouri to Columbus Missey born in Missouri and Sinthia Talbot born in Crawford County, Missouri. she was married to Columbus Pratt and was a house wife. She died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. She was interred 20 April 1938 at the Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. The informant was Virgil Pratt, Bourbon, Missouri."

[Should be noted, she was *not married* to Columbus Pratt, he was one of her sons, she was married to Henry Winslow Pratt.]

1938 Funeral Picture

Another picture Aunt Juanita (MILLER) Pratt sent to my dad is this picture showing Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt lying instate. Dad (Floyd Theodore Pratt) was 9 years old when he attended her funeral. She died on Sunday, 17 April 1938 at her home on Spruce Street at Bourbon, Missouri. This picture shows the open aired viewing of Laura in her front yard on Spruce Street. The funeral service was at the Pentecostal Church which became the Assembly of God Church across from her home where she attended for years. Dad says her coffin was opened for viewing sometime between Monday the 18th and Tuesday the 19th before she was buried on Wednesday the 20th. The woman standing at the head of the procession is her daughter-in-law; Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) Pratt, wife of Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt. Unknown who the children or man is waiting in line....Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.C., M.A.G.I. and great grandson.

1938 Burial of Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States Pratt, Winslow 6 September 1868- 24 March 1914 Pratt, Laura M. 20 July 1874- 17 April 1938

[Many Pratt relatives are buried in this cemetery including my brother; Larry Winslow Pratt.]

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Mary Laura Magdalene Missey Pratt Birth: Jul. 20, 1874 Crawford County Missouri, USA Death: Apr. 17, 1938 Bourbon Crawford County Missouri, USA Parents: François Columbus Missey (1845 - 1916) Syntha N Talbot Missey (1848 - 1896) Children: Ruth Jane Pratt Graddy (1904 - 1961) Siblings: John Benjamin Missey (1864 - 1943) Albert Paris Missey (1867 - 1944) Mary Laura Magdalene Missey Pratt (1874 - 1938) Mary Laura Magdalene Missey Pratt (1874 -

1938) Judson Robert Missey (1876 - 1940) Ambrose James Missey (1881 - 1958) Edmond Forrest Missey (1884 - 1971) Inscription: w/o Winslow Burial: Harrison Cemetery Crawford County Missouri, USA

Family Story

Carl Benjamin Pratt told me that he remembers Grandma Laura Pratt used to carry a tobacco pouch under her petty coat. And when she chewed tobacco she would take a chunk out of the pouch and cut a slice off with a pocket knife. (Pioneer woman) FTP

Family Story

Floyd Theodore Pratt told me the story that his Grandma Laura Pratt told him that the Missey's owned land that the city of Boston is built on. Great Aunt Eula Pratt added to this that Laura Pratt had the deeds in her possession and one of the Pratt boys stole the deeds. She mentioned him by name, however I cannot verify this so no names are mentioned. FTP [See the report "Who Stole the Pratt Deeds"]

Family Story

Mary Edith (**PRATT**) Skaggs told me the following story about her Grandma Laura Pratt. One day when Edith was a small child, she was riding in a buckboard wagon with Grandma Laura Pratt when they came to Brazeal Creek. It had rained the night before and the river was flooded. Grandma Pratt decided to go ahead and cross the creek without the benefit of a bridge. Edith said Grandma Pratt stuck her corn-cob pipe between her teeth and told the mules to giddy-up. As they crossed the high river, Edith said that the sides of the buckboard were almost flooded with river water. But this did not phase Grandma Pratt and they made it across to the other side safely. Edith said she was scared to death when the water almost overflowed into the wagon.

[This shows the pioneer spirit that our frontier women possessed. Strong women raised strong men and kept families together in a time when survival against the animals, wildreness and weather was a primary concern. Laura Dea Pratt my daughter; was named in honor of this courageous ancestor. FTP]

Children from this marriage were:

+ 2 M
i. (Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt) was born on 1 December 1893 in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, died on 27 July 1947 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 53, and was buried on 29 July 1947 in Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

Columbus married (Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON)) (d. 26 June 1983) on 12 April 1919 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

+ 3 M ii. **Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt** was born on 23 November 1894 in Johnson Township, Washington County, Missouri, United States, died on 12 August 1962 in Veterans Administration Hospital, Jefferson Barracks, Carondolet Township, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States at age 67, and was buried on 16 August 1962 in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Lemay, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States.

Jesse married **Nadine Mae (SKAGGS)** (d. 22 October 1989) on 22 September 1929 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States.

+ 4 M iii. Albert "Al" Paris Pratt was born on 28 June 1897 in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, died on 11 August 1936 in Saint Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States at age 39, and was buried on 12 August 1936 in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Albert married **Mary (SHEPARD)** (d. After 1936) on 3 April 1926 in Union, Union Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States.

+ 5 M iv. **Virgil Ranson Pratt** was born on 4 July 1899 in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, died on 21 January 1971 in Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States at age 71, and was buried on 24 January 1971 in Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

Virgil married **Eula Viola (RICHARDSON)** (d. 4 May 1990) on 27 February 1926 in Steelville, Meramec Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

+ 6 M v. Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt was born on 3 January 1902 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 7 May 1961 in Saint Luke's Hospital, 5535 Delmar Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States at age 59, and was buried on 10 May 1961 in Green Lawn Cemetery, 8251 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States.

Henry married **Hazel Belle (COZIAH)** (d. 24 December 1959) from 1931 to 1939.

Henry next married **Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN)** (d. 4 January 1984) in 1960-1961.

+ 7 F vi. **Ruth Jane (PRATT)** was born on 8 August 1904 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 26 September 1961 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 57, and was buried on 29 September 1961 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Ruth married **Rufus Allen Graddy** (d. 16 September 1967) on 20 October 1919 in Union, Union Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States.

- + 8 F vii. Mary Center (PRATT) was born on 12 June 1907 in Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 7 October 1918 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 11, and was buried on 11 October 1918 in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.
- + 9 M viii. **Orville Hayes Pratt** was born on 17 December 1911 in Crows Creek, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 11 June 1980 in Lake of the Ozarks General Hospital, Osage Beach, Camden, Missouri, United States at age 68, and was buried on 14 June 1980 in Climax Springs Cemetery, Climax Springs, Benton, Missouri, United States.

Orville married **Mary Olive (MALLOW)** (d. 25 May 2002) on 12 July 1932 in Trinity Lutheran Church, 1805 South Eighth Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

Orville next married **Marie Virginia (PARSLEY)** (d. 14 May 2005) on 26 April 1951 in Bentonville, Township 9, Benton, Arkansas, United States.

Second Generation (Children)

2. (Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt) (Henry Winslow "Win" 1) was born on 1 December 1893 in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, died on 27 July 1947 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 53, and was buried on 29 July 1947 in Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.



<u>Cradle to Grave Profile (C2G) for Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 4 August 2010</u>

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1893 Birthblock for Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt son of Henry Winslow & Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSÉ) Pratt

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt was born in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri, United States on 1 December 1893.

Date from 1900 census states he was born December 1893 in Missouri.

Date from 1910 census states he was born 1894 in Missouri.

Date from 1917 WWI draft registration states he was born 1 November 1893 in Missouri.

Date from 1920 census states he was born 1894 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states he was born 1894 in Missouri.

Date from 1940 census states he was born 1894 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states he was born 1 November 1893 in Missouri.

Date from the headstone states he was born 1 November 1893.

Date from the headstone application states he was born 1 November 1893.

Date from the obituary states he was born

In the 1900 census, his mother says he was born in December 1893, then I would be inclined to believe his birth date to be December 1, 1893.

Research Note

This is a prime example of ancestors celebrating their birthday on the wrong day, month or year. It happens so often it's not even funny. Due to the lack of availability to the participants and the reluctance of the government to release records, any one of us is at the mercy of the recorded document or heresy about our birth. Not only was Lum's month wrong, but also Rue's birth month was also wrong. At this state, it doesn't really matter because what is important is to identify the individual for ancestral verification.-Floyd Thomas Pratt

AKA

My father, Floyd Theodore Pratt told me his Dad's full name was Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt. Nickname "Lum". Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt's name is a collection of names from ancestors. When "Win" and Laura were naming their children they liked to use ancestor's names. Since Grandpa Lum died before I was born, I guess he was named for the following reasons. Columbus after Laura's father; François Columbier Missé

or better known as Columbus Frank Missey. This is where the "Lum" comes from. Benjamin I am at a mystery as to who this name belongs to. There were no Benjamins on the Pratt family side and on the Missey side there was Laura's brother; John Benjamin Missey. Maybe that's where they picked up the name Benjamin. Alexander is from "Win's" father's name; Alexander R. Pratt. So I am guessing but this seems a logical explanation.-Floyd Thomas Pratt (FTP)

Comment

I don't have any personal stories or testimony about my Grandfather Columbus Pratt because he died before any of his 14 grandchildren were born. Being the oldest grandchild, he died the year before I was born. (1947) However, I did ask questions about him from the people who knew him and gathered a great deal of information concerning his life of which I have shared in this profile.

Research Note

At the end of major events in Columbus Pratt's life you will see...years, months and days. These figures are based on 1 December 1893 being Columbus' actual birth date and all these events have been calculated by the program, "Personal Historian" http://www.rootsmagic.com/personal-historian/ by Root Magic. Therefore, these years, months and days reflect the age that Columbus was at the time of these events.

[See "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

Birth Location of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Concerning his place of birth, my grandmother, Rue (JOHNSON) Pratt told me Lum was born in Catawissa, Calvey Twp, Franklin, Missouri. However, this is contrary to the location of his parent's residence, which was at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Since the 1890 census was destroyed by fire, we do not have the location of his parent's exact residence. The 1880 census states his father; Henry Winslow Pratt was living in Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri and also the 1900 census states his father lived in Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri since both censuses are in Johnson Twp, Washington County, Missouri then I would conclude that he was born near Hamilton Hollow in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri not Catawissa, Calvey Twp, Franklin, Missouri. Also, on his brother's, Jesse Lee Pratt's death certificate, it states that Jess was born near Sullivan, Missouri. Since Sullivan is the closest town to Hamilton Hollow then this also supports my assumption that Columbus was born in Hamilton Hollow. Without stronger evidence supporting the Catawissa birthplace, I believe that Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States. Therefore, until new proof can be found to support the Catawissa birthplace, henceforth based on the above evidence I stand by my presumptive conclusions.-Floyd Thomas Pratt 2009

Research Note

Embedded in this enhanced Cradle to Grave Profile for Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt are yearly world events that took place through his youth, teen years and as an adult. These events are comprised in nature as political, medical, birth, death, military, marriages, wars, inventions, movies, songs and other events that could have or would have had an effect on Columbus Pratt's life. Be mindful that the Pratts did not own a radio, which was the primary

means of obtaining worldly events and information from the outside world. They lived in the hills south of Sullivan in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Township, Washington County, Missouri.

Word of mouth and newspapers were the only means of learning what was taking place outside his community. It wasn't until after his marriage (1919) to the wealthy Judge James Millard Johnson's daughter; Rue that Columbus was able to move in with her newly married father at the old Johnson house at Walnut Street and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon that the family had access to a radio. So, many of these inventions, songs and wordly events went unnoticed by most of the citizens in rural America.

If you google the name of the song, movie or topic, you can read additional information and on www.youtube.com you can hear the old songs when they were popular. FTP

1894 Events of 1894

The Manchester Ship Canal was opened to sea-going vessels on Monday, 1 January 1894.

1894 Birth of future wife; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) age 0 years, 1 month, 18 days Future wife; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) (future wife) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Friday, 19 January 1894.

1894 Childbirth of brother; Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt age 0 years, 11 months, 22 days Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt was born near Sullivan, at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Friday, 23 November 1894.

1895 Events of 1895

Malaria broke out in Washington, D.C.
Guglielmo Marconi discovered radio signals
Rudolf Diesel invented the diesel engine
King C. Gillette invented the disposable razor blade
C. Francis Jenkins invented the phantascope

Woodville Latham invented the phatoptiken projector

The J&E Stevens Co. began making cast-iron Rival toy stoves. They were sold with a coal bucket, a teakettle, frying pan and cooking pot. The company was in business until the 1930s

1896 Death of grandmother; Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missey age 2 years, 3 months, 27 days

Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missey died near Crows Creek, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 28 March 1896.

1896 Events of 1896

Henry Ford manufactured his first motor car William S. Hadaway invented the electric stove Charles Curtis invented the steam turbine Thomas Armat invented the vitascope

1897 Childbirth of brother; Albert "Al" Paris Pratt age 3 years, 6 months, 27 days
Albert "Al" Paris Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri,

United States on Monday, 28 June 1897.

1897 Events of 1897

William McKinley became the 25th President of the United States on Thursday, 4 March 1897

Sir Ronald Ross discovered that mosquitos spread malaria on Friday, 20 August 1897.

Guglielmo Marconi built the first wireless telegraph station on the Isle of Wight

Frederick Creed invented the Creed teleprinter for newspapers

Robert Bosch invented the automobile magneto

1898 Events of 1898

Nikola Tesla invented the remote control

Gund introduced the first mass-produced musical toys and soft toys

Spain declared war on the United States on Sunday, 24 April 1898.

The United States declared war on Spain Monday, 25 April 1898

The United States annexed Guam on Monday, 20 June 1898.

Yellow fever in Cuba kills over 5,000 solders fighting in the Spanish-American war; 5 times the number killed in combat from July 1898 to August 1898

The United States annexed Hawaii on Thursday, 7 July 1898.

1899 Events of 1899

Clyde J. Coleman invented the automobile self-starter

Charles Curtis invented the gas turbine

Valdemar Poulsen invented the magnetic tape recorder

The Spanish-American War ended when a peace treaty was signed on Monday, 6 February 1899.

Oahu, Hawaii saw its first case of plague on Tuesday, 12 December 1899.

1899 Childbirth of brother; Virgil Ranson Pratt age 5 years, 7 months, 3 days

Virgil Ranson Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 4 July 1899.

1900-1910 Death of Great-Grandmother; Marie "Mary" Françoise (PIQUETTE) Missé

Marie "Mary" Françoise (**PIQUETTE**) Missé died in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States between 1900 and 1910, because she is in the 1900 census and not the 1910 census. About Age 7 years through About 17 years

1900 Events of 1900

As many as 90% of the inhabitants in some British towns had tuberculosis

Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin built the first rigid airship

The Charles Seeberger redesigned Jesse Reno's escalator and invented the modern escalator

Ferdinand Graf von Zeppelin invented the rigid dirigible airship

Song: "A Bird In A Gilded Cage" composed by Arthur J. Lamb (lyrics) and Harry Von Tilzer Baseball cards were first introduced

Lionel Trains (Lionel) began when Joshua Lionel Cowen was just 22 years old he created a battery-powered train engine.

1900 Federal Census age 6 years, 6 months, 14 days

Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 8b, 15 June 1900, line 65, dwelling 131, family 135

PRATT, Henry W. 2 m born September 1871 age 28; Laura wife w f born February 1876 age 24; <u>Lum son w m born December 1893 age 6</u>; Jessie son w m born November 1894 age 5; Albert son w m born June 1897 age 3; Virgile son w m born July 1899 age 10mos [All born in Missouri as were their parents except Henry's father was born in Tennessee. Living next door to David & Fannie (**PRATT**) Campbell, Henry's sister. Laura says they have been married 7 years and she has had 4 children and 4 are living.]

1900-1902 Family Move

From Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Research Note

Bourbon, Missouri plays an important role in the lives of my ancestors and I feel it would be apropos to tell something about the town's origins.

Virtually Bourbon

http://www.bourbonmo.com/history.htm

Bourbon, Missouri had its beginnings in the early 1800's. Bourbon is believed to be the only town in the United States named for Bourbon whiskey. The beginnings of the city coincide with the construction of the railroad (first called the Pacific and later the Frisco).

The southern branch of the railroad was completed to Rolla in 1860. The construction of the railroad brought settlers to the area, encouraged by the availability of inexpensive land from the railroad, which was granted every other section along the right of way. Settlers also came into the country to homestead land and to settle on land granted to veterans of the War of 1812.

A road from St. Louis to Springfield was already in use, roughly following the divide between the Missouri River and the Meramec. The new railroad closely followed the route of the Old Springfield or "Wire" Road.

At that time there were several farmers living in the Bourbon area. A town was proposed one and one-half miles east of the present town. Streets were laid out and lots marked off, at least on paper, and the village was to be named St. Cloud. Richard Turner set up a general store on his property just west of the proposed village to serve the needs of both settlers and railroad workers who moved along with the building of the line. Camps were set up along the right of way and the workers stayed in some places several months, as was the case here where a 50 ft. fill was constructed at Boone Creek. Most of the workers were Irish Immigrants who built the railroad with picks and shovels and their own strong backs.

The Irishmen (and some of the settlers, too) were used to drinking whiskey, so Turner soon imported barrels of the new brand, Bourbon, which was becoming popular all over the New West. A large barrel labeled "Bourbon" sat on the porch of his store.

The barrel of whiskey was hauled to the construction project, and the Irishmen could go to "Bourbon" whenever they wanted a drink. Turner's store came to be called the "Bourbon" store, and the railroad workers soon called the entire area Bourbon.

When a post office was established in September 1853, the name was given as "Bourbon in the village of St. Cloud". The town was never located at the proposed village, but was built further west where the steam engines could stop and start where there was no grade. The town of Bourbon sprang up along the railroad tracks and the Old Springfield Road, where it is located today.

Bourbon has never aspired to be a big city, with a cold, business-like attitude. Instead, Bourbon's businessmen and civic leaders strive to keep the friendly, neighborly manner that has long been an Ozark tradition. Bourbon people are just plain folks, who like to make friends and make you feel at home. [End]

Comment

I remember how my Christian-minded Grandmother; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt who had attended the churches in Bourbon since she was a little girl, felt it was disgraceful that the town she was born and grew up in was named after a decadent sinful drink called Bourbon whiskey. She set the bar high for her family and friends including this grandson concerning good strong moral character, which sadly we always did not emulate. I remember one time when my parents had gone out for the evening, Grandmother Rue was babysitting us three boys at our home in Bridgeton, Missouri in the early 1960's. She found in dad's kitchen pantry, bottles and bottles of alcohol and knowing this was not proper and unhealthy for her son and his family poured all the contents of those very expensive bottles down the kitchen drain. I watched her pour them down the drain and as I remember there were 6-8 bottles of all kinds of alcohol. I don't remember how the conversation went when my dad and mom got home from their evening's entertainment, but I imagine dad probably didn't say anything about the incident because he knew his mother; Rue was right. But, when she left for her home in Bourbon, I also, imagine those bottles were replaced...too bad lessons weren't learned. I don't want to give the impression that my parents drank a great deal of alcohol, which they didn't, but my father was a professional businessman and entertained guests in his home and had a variety of alcohol for his guests. Dad's choice of drink was beer, which he only drank when he played cards with my uncles. Floyd Thomas Pratt 2013

1901 Events of 1901

Hubert Booth invented a compact and modern vacuum cleaner

King C. Gillette invented the double-edged safety razor

The first radio receiver, successfully received a radio transmission

Reginald Fessenden invented the improved wireless transmitter

Peter C. Hewitt invented the mercury vapor lamp

Johan Vaaler invented the paperclip

Song: "Boola Boola" was composed by Allan M. Hirsh.

Song: "Hello Central, Give Me Heaven" composed by Charles K. Harris

Song: "I Love You Truly" composed by Carrie Jacobs Bond

Song: "The Easy Winners" by Scott Joplin

Ping-Pong was invented

Theodore Roosevelt became the 26th President of the United States on Monday, 4 March 1901.

1902 Events in 1902

Arthur D. Little invented rayon cellulose ester

The French physicist George Claude invented the neon light

Guglielmo Marconi invented the radio magnetic detector

Poulsen Reginald Fessenden invented the radio telephone

Morris Michtom, who received permission to use the name after Teddy Roosevelt, invented the "Teddy Bear"

James Mackenzie invented the lie detector or polygraph machine

Willis Carrier invented the air conditioner

S.W. Erdnase published the book, "The Expert at the Card Table". The book revealed secrets behind card tricks and cheating techniques

Song: "Bill Bailey Won't You Please Come Home" composed by Hughie Cannon

Song: "In The Good Old Summertime" by George Evans and lyrics by Ren Shields .

1902 Childbirth of brother; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt age 8 years, 1 month, 2 days Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Friday, 3 January 1902.

1902 Grandfather's marriage of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé and Mary Lavina (CAUFIELD) age 8 years, 3 months, 4 days

François Columbus "Lum" Missé (Grandfather) and Mary Lavina (CAUFIELD) (Relative) were married on Wednesday, 5 March 1902.

1903 Events of 1903

Edward Binney and Harold Smith co-invented crayons

Michael Owens invented the bottle machine

Michael J. Owens invented the bottle-making machinery

The electrocardiograph (EKG) was invented by Willem Einthoven

Mary Anderson invented windshield wipers

William Coolidge invented ductile tungsten used in lightbulbs

Edwin Binney and C. Harold Smith produced the first box of Crayola crayons. The name,

Crayola, came from the French words meaning oily chalk

The Wright brothers invented the first gas motored and manned airplane

Song: "Sweet Adeline" by Richard H. Gerard to music by Harry Armstrong, from a tune he had written in 1896 at the age of 18.

1904 Events of 1904

Benjamin Holt invented the tractor

John A Fleming invented a vacuum diode or Fleming valve

Harvey Hubbell invented the separable Attachment Plug

John Ambrose Fleming invented the thermionic valve

Song: "Give My Regards To Broadway" written by George M. Cohan for his musical play *Little Johnny Jones* (initiated 1904 in a Broadway theater).

Song: "Meet Me In St. Louie, Louie" The words were by Andrew B. Sterling; the music, by Kerry Mills

"Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis", better known as just *Meet Me in St. Louis*, was a popular song from 1904 which celebrated the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, i.e., the St. Louis World's Fair. The song was published in 1904 in New York by Mills's firm operating under the name F. A. Mills. It was recorded by many artists such as William F. Denny and Billy Murray. The song and the fair were focal points of the Judy Garland, *Meet Me in St. Louis*. Garland recorded the song in 1944. "Louis" in the song is pronounced "LOO-ee", akin to

the French. The song is one of the few instances of pronouncing the city's name that way. It is normally pronounced "LOO-is". The song, which is generally styled in the form of a limerick, has many and varied verses, few of which are remembered today - unlike the chorus. In the original sheet music, the chorus is the same for the first two verses but varies in verses three through six, which are essentially jokes with the punch line in the chorus. Song: "Frankie And Johnny" by Hughie Cannon

It has been suggested that the song was inspired, or its details influenced, by one or more actual murders. One of these took place in St. Louis, Missouri, on October 15, 1899, when Frankie Baker, a 22-year-old dancer, stabbed (or shot) her 17-year-old lover Allen "Al" Britt, who was having a relationship with a woman named Alice Pryor. Britt died of his wounds two days later. On trial, Baker claimed that Britt had attacked her with a knife and that she acted in self-defense; she was acquitted and died in a Portland, Oregon mental institution in 1952.

The song has also been linked to Frances Silver, convicted in 1832 of murdering her husband Charles Silver in Burke County, North Carolina. Unlike Frankie Baker, Silver was executed.

The card game, Pit, was first produced. It was one of the first games where all players acted at the same time

Thomas Suillivan invented the teabag

1904 Childbirth of sister; Ruth Jane (PRATT) age 10 years, 8 months, 7 days Ruth Jane (PRATT) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Monday, 8 August 1904.

1904-1907 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1905 Events of 1905

Albert Einstein published the Theory of Relativity

Mary Anderson received a patent for windshield wipers

John Ambrose Fleming invented the radio tube diode

Song: "In My Merry Oldsmobile" music by Gus Edwards and lyrics by Vincent P. Bryan .

Song: "My Gal Sal" words and music by Paul Dresser

1906 Events of 1906

Lee Deforest invented electronic amplifying tube (triode)

Lewis Nixon invented the first sonar-like device

Lee DeForest invented the triode amplifier

William Kellogg invented Cornflakes

Song: "Anchors Away" by Charles A. Zimmerman with lyrics by Alfred Hart Miles.

Song: "King Porter Stomp" is a tune by Jelly Roll Morton.

Morton first recorded the number in 1923 as a piano solo, but did not file a copyright on the tune until 1924. That year, Morton recorded a duet version with Joe "King" Oliver on cornet. Morton said that he had actually written the tune almost 20 years earlier, and that it was named after his friend and fellow pianist Porter King.

The first "Tootsie Toys" were made by the Dowst Company in Chicago

The game, Touring, was published by Wallie Dorr Company. Parker Brothers picked it up in 1925. It was the inspiration for the present game, Mille Bornes.

Song: "You're A Grand Old Flag" by George M. Cohan

1907-1914 Family Story told in the 1970's

During a family reunion in Bourbon, Missouri, sometime during the late 1970's before her death in 1978, Ethel Delora (**MISSEY**) Isgriggs told me a story about Henry Winslow Pratt and his son; Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt having an argument over who was going to cut the firewood.

Ethel Delora (**MISSEY**) Stroup Hamlin Isgriggs is the daughter of Ambrose James and Parry Jane (**RICHARDSON**) Missey. She was a good family friend of my Great Aunt Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt, who also collaborated this story.

The story goes that "Winslow" told his son "Lum" to cut some firewood. Lum refused and Win told him he would have whip him if he didn't obey. Lum still refused and Win and Lum started to fistfight and brawl on the ground until Winslow was victorious and Lum succumbed and cut the firewood.

If this story is true, which I have no reason to doubt these ladies, this would have had to take place before Winslow's death in 1914. Lum would have been around 14 to 20 years old (1907-1914) and Winslow would have been in his 40's!

Columbus was way to old for fighting with his father and Winslow was way to old for trying to prove he was still the top dog in his house.

Ethel also said the Pratt's were hard cases and rough people. Not only were they financially poor and lacking higher educations, but this hard case characteristic in their personality was a carryover from their Cherokee heritage.

Harboring a "Trail of Tears" survival mentality where life was rough and survival was the order of the day, hard times required hard men and the Pratt's and their counterparts; the Blanton's took second seat to no one.

My father often told me that you did not want to challenge or cross Lum Pratt because he was a tough character and a no nonsense type of guy. Whatever he said, you did with no backtalk or discussion...that is if you didn't want to pick your teeth up off the ground.

This type of rough love behavior had its positive influences and negative influences. The positive effect was that the Pratts were taught to stand on their own two feet and take charge and be responsible and accountable for their actions. This led to independence and strength with a get-it-done attitude. The negative result was a lack of or the ability to offer unconditional love or to express their affections to family and friends.

Dad says the only time his father (Lum) embraced him and gave him a hug was when Dad came back from WWII in 1947...my father was 20 years old at that time.

I am convinced without the saving graces of our dear wives teaching us to even the scales of justice...with love, we Pratts would not have the potential to be the loving husbands and fathers that we strive to be today.

Hopefully, when dealing with friends and especially family, none of us in this period of education and enlightenment will carry over the negative caveman characteristics exhibited by our forefathers. Floyd Thomas Pratt 2009

1907 Events of 1907

Color photography invented by Auguste and Louis Lumiere

Leo Baekeland invents the first synthetic plastic called Bakelite

The Bubonic plague broke out in San Francisco on Monday, 27 May 1907.

Lee DeForest invented the radio tube triode

Lee DeForest invented the radio amplifier

Paul Cornu invented the first piloted helicopter

The vacuum cleaner, (electric) was invented by James Spangler

The washer, (electric) was invented by Alva Fisher (Hurley Corporation)

Song: "The Caissons Go Rolling Along"

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The Army Goes Rolling Along

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yJybwgtR970

The Caisson Song

The song is based on the "Caisson Song" written by field artillery (later Brigadier General) Edmund L. Gruber, Lieutenant William Bryden, and Lieutenant (later Major General) Robert Danford while stationed at Fort Stotsenburg in the Philippines in March 1908. The tune quickly became popular in field artillery units. In 1917 the Secretary of the Navy and Army Lieutenant George Friedlander of the 306th Field Artillery asked John Philip Sousa to create a march using the "Caisson Song." Sousa changed the key, harmony, and rhythm and renamed it "U.S. Field Artillery." The recording sold 750,000 copies. Sousa didn't know who had written the song and had been told that it dated back to the Civil War. Although an Army magazine claims that Sousa passed on his royalties to Gruber other sources state that Gruber became involved in a prolonged legal battle to recover the rights to music he had written and that had been lifted (unknowingly or not) by Sousa and widely sold by sheet music publishers who reaped profits while Gruber received nothing. The music became so popular that it was also used in radio ads by firms such as the Hoover Vacuum Company. Gruber lost his battle in the courts. They ruled that he had waited too long to complain and that his music was by that time in the public domain. "The Caisson Song" was never designated as the official U.S. Army song likely because the lyrics were too closely identified with the field artillery and not the entire army. The official song retains Gruber's music, but with re-written lyrics.

Song: "School Days" by Will Cobb and Gus Edwards http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/School Days (1907 song)

1907 Childbirth of sister; Mary Senter (PRATT) age 13 years, 6 months, 11 days Mary Senter (PRATT) was born Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 12 June 1907.

1908 Events of 1908

Jacques E. Brandenberger invented cellophane

Fritz Haber invented the Haber process for making artificial nitrates

J W Geiger and W Müller invented the Geiger counter

The gyrocompass invented by Elmer A. Sperry

The Ford model T was first sold

Song: "Cuddle Up A Little Closer, Lovey Mine" The music was written by Karl Hoschna, the

lyrics by Otto Harbach

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cuddle_up_a_Little_Closer, Lovey_Mine_

http://www.voutube.com/watch?v=-blPhGfbChM

Song: "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" The words were written in 1908 by vaudevilles star Jack Norworth, who while riding a subway train, was inspired by a sign that said "Baseball Today - Polo Grounds". In the song, Katie's (and later Nelly's) beau calls to ask her out to see a show. She accepts the date, but only if her date will take her out to the ballgame. The words were set to music by Albert Von Tilzer, (Norworth and Von Tilzer finally saw their first Major League Baseball games 32 and 20 years later, respectively). The song was first sung by Norworth's then-wife Nora Bayes and popularized by many other vaudeville acts. It was played at a ballpark for the first known time in 1934, at a high-school game in Los Angeles, and researchers think it made its debut at a major-league park later that year.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Take Me Out to the Ball Game

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q4-qsdLSSQ0

Song: "Shine On, Harvest Moon" is the name of a popular early-1900s song credited to the married vaudeville team Nora Bayes and Jack Norworth. It was one of a series of moon related Tin Pan Alley songs of the era. The song was debuted by the composers in the Ziegfeld Follies of 1908 to great acclaim. It became a pop standard, and continues to be performed and recorded into the 21st century.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shine On, Harvest Moon

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D7Mu9fh23dY

1909 Events of 1909

Instant coffee invented by G. Washington

Hiram Percy Maxim invented the gun silencer

Henry W. Walden invented the monoplane

Song: "Casey Jones" http://www.contemplator.com/america/casyjones.html

There are several songs about Casey Jones, the famous railway man of the Illinois Central. The songs are based on the train wreck of April 1900 at Vaughan, Mississippi. Jones was a well-known and respected driver. He was driving No. 382, possibly for a sick friend. The switching station at Vaughan did not have enough room to accommodate the length of trains there. Flagmen were sent to warn Jones, but for unknown reasons, he was unaware of the problem until it was too late. Jones was killed in the accident. He left a wife and three children. Wallace Saunders, Casey's African-American engine wiper, wrote the first Casey Jones ballad. It was sung to the tune *Jimmy Jones*, which was popular at the time. Engineer William Leighton heard the song. His brothers Frank and Bert, vaudeville performers, polished the song, added a chorus, and began to perform it in their act. When the ballad was published in 1902 the words were credited to T. Lawrence Seibert, and Eddie Newton was credited with the music.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03jwHrO7ubl

Song: "Put On Your Old Grey Bonnet"

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wH5X sd7ZQo&feature=related

William Taft became the 27th President of the United States Thursday, 4 March 1909 Age 15 years, 3 months, 3 days

1910 Events of 1910

Thomas Edison demonstrated the first talking motion picture

Song: Let Me Call You Sweetheart

Song: Come, Josephine, In My Flying Machine

Song: Down By The Old Millstream

Song: Mother Machree

1910 Federal Census age 16 years, 5 months, 1 day

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242, family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; Jessie L. son w m 15; Albert P. son w m 13; Virgil R. son w m 9; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. This is their first marriage and they have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single. Living a few doors down from John & Susan (WEST) Studdard family. Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey, Laura's father. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and sonin-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C. F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1911 Events of 1911

Charles Franklin Kettering invented the first automobile electrical ignition system Willis Haviland Carrier invented the air conditioner

The automobile self starter (perfected) was invented by Charles F. Kettering

Glenn Curtiss invented the hydroplane

Song: Alexander's Ragtime Band

Song: Goodnight Ladies

Song: I Want A Girl Just Like The Girl That Married Year-Old Dad

Song: Memphis Blues

Song: My Melancholy Baby

Song: Oh, You Beautiful Doll

1911 Lum's Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February 1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

1911 Lum's Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

1911 Lum's Grandfather in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section: *C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.*

1911 Childbirth of brother; Orville Hayes Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt was born near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 December 1911. Age 18 years, 16 days

1912 Death of grandfather; Alexander R. "Alex" Pratt About Age 19 years

Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1912.

[1] Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died either the early part of 1912 (Jan-Mar) or the latter (Oct-Dec) according to his grandson, Fred Callahan. The roads were icy and they could not take his body back to Sullivan so they buried him the Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. He died at his daughter's residence Thomas Livey & Polina (PRATT) Callahan's home near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

[2] Date on metal plate at gravesite states 1831-1912 from gravesite marker at Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1912 Events of 1912

Clarence Crane created Life Savers candy

Edwin H. Armstrong invented the regenerative radio circuit

Australian inventor De La Mole patented the first tank

The motorized movie camera was invented. It replaced the hand-cranked camera

Song: Moonlight Bay

Song: That Old Gang Of Mine

Song: When Irish Eyes Are Smiling

In Constantinople, the Ottoman Empire experienced a cholera outbreak Monday, 18

November 1912 Age 18 years, 11 months, 17 days

1913 Events of 1913

Gideon Sundback invented the modern zipper

Mary Phelps Jacob invented the bra

William M. Burten invented the cracking process for Gasoline

Robert Owen invented the double acting wrench

Elmer A. Sperry invented the gyroscope stabilizer

Reginald Fessenden invented the heterodyne radio receiver

William D. Coolidge invented the improved X-Ray

Ernst Alexanderson invented the radio receiver cascade tuning

Arthur Wynne invented the crossword puzzle

The Merck Chemical Company patented, what is now know as, ecstasy

Song: Ballin' The Jack Song: If I Had My Way

Song: Peg o' My Heart

A. C. Gilbert invented the Erector Set

A prize was inserted into a Cracker Jack box for the first time

Woodrow Wilson became the 28th President of the United States Tuesday, 4 March 1913

Age 19 years, 3 months, 3 days

1913 Death of future mother-in-law; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson age 20 years, 9 days

Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson died at the Johnson House on

Walnut Street, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 December 1913.

1914 Events of 1914

Garrett A. Morgan invented the Morgan gas mask

Robert Goddard invented the liquid fuel rocket

Ernest Dunlop Swinton invented the military tank

Ernst Alexanderson invented the radio transmitter triode

Song: A Little Bit Of Heaven Song: By The Beautiful Sea

Song: The St. Louis Blues

Charles Pajeau, of Evanston, Illinois, developed a toy similar to the Erector Set, but designed for younger children. He called it "Tinker Toys."

Eagle Rubber Company started to manufacture rubber toy balloons

The Archduke Ferdinand of the Ottoman Empire was assassinated in Sarajevo Sunday, 28 June 1914 Age 20 years, 6 months, 27 days

World War I began when Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia Tuesday, 28 July 1914 to Saturday, 28 June 1919 Age 20 years, 7 months, 27 days to 25 years, 6 months, 27 days President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed that the United States was neutral in the war Tuesday, 18 August 1914 Age 20 years, 8 months, 17 days

1914 Death of father; Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt age 20 years, 3 months, 23 days Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt died at near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 March 1914.

[1] Death Certificate: Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #12055

As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Winslow Pratt March 24, 1914 Crawford 12055 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

"Winslow Pratt white married male born 6 September 1868 in Missouri to Alexander Pratt born in Missouri and Mary Kimberlin born Missouri. Winslow is a farmer. James P. Dunnigan M.D. was attending physician from 1 February 1914 to 24 March 1914 and Winslow died of ureaiei and chronic intestinal mephitis. He died at 9:30am on 24 March 1914 at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States and was buried on 26 March 1914 at Crawford County, Missouri. The informant was Lum Missey, Bourbon, Missouri."

[Urea: A nitrogen-containing substance normally cleared from the blood by the kidney into the urine. Diseases that compromise the function of the kidney often lead to increased blood levels of urea, as measured by the blood urea nitrogen test. Mephitic or carbon dioxide poisoning. - mephitic, mephitical, adj. It appears Winslow ate something at Christmas and it poisoned him.]

1914-1918 Family Move

From Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. It appears after the death of Winslow, Laura took the family back to Bourbon where in 1918 her daughter Mary died in Bourbon and where Laura listed her residence on the death certificate.

1915 Events of 1915

Typhoid Mary was imprisoned in New York

Eugene Sullivan and William Taylor co-invented Pyrex in New York City

Irving Langmuir invented the filament Tungsten

Lee DeForest invented the radio tube oscillator

Elmer A. Sperry invented the searchlight arc.

Song: I Didn't Raise My Boy To Be A Soldier

Song: M-o-t-h-e-r, A Word That Means The World To Me

Song: Packed Up Your Troubles In Your Old Kit Bag

"The Birth of a Nation" was released to movie theaters

German U-Boats sank the British passenger ship Lusitania. 128 Americans were killed

Friday, 7 May 1915 age 21 years, 5 months, 6 days

Germany issues an apology for the Americans killed in the Lusitania sinking Tuesday, 5

October 1915 age 21 years, 10 months, 4 days

1916 Events of 1916

New York and Boston suffered from polio epidemics

The worst polio epidemic in the United States hit 27,000 and killed over 7,000

Radios tuners, that received different stations, were invented

Henry Brearly invented stainless steel

John Browning invented the browning Gun

Irving Langmuir invented the incandescent gas lamp

John T. Thompson invented the Thompson submachine gun

Song: I Ain't Got Nobody

Song: La Cucaracha

John Lloyd Wright, the son of the famous architect, Frank Lloyd Wright, invented "Lincoln Logs"

Louis Marx began Louis Marx & Company, which grew to become the world's largest manufacturer of toys

In New York and Boston, there were polio outbreaks sporadically during the summers for decades

President Woodrow Wilson refuses the compromise on Lusitania reparations Monday, 31 January 1916

Germany admits full liability for Lusitania incident and recognizes the United State's right to claim indemnity Sunday, 6 February 1916

1916 Death of grandfather; François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé age 22 years, 4 months, 25 days

Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 26 April 1916.

1917 Events of 1917

Paul Langevin invented sonar echolocation

Song: Hale Hail The Gangs All Here

Song: Jelly Roll Blues

Song: Over There

Song: You're In The Army Now

The Germans sank three United States ships without warning Sunday, 18 March 1917 age 23 years, 3 months, 17 days

The United States declared war against Germany Monday, 2 April 1917

The United States declared war on Germany and entered World War I Friday, 6 April 1917

1917 World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 age 23 years, 6 months, 4 days

http://www.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=6482&enc=1

[1] Name: Columbus Pratt City: Not Stated County: Jefferson State: Missouri Birthplace: Missouri Birth Date: 1 Nov 1893 Race: Caucasian (White) Roll: 1683326 Registrar's Report #: 24-3-10-A

[Columbus Pratt age 23 address Rt#1, Catawissa, Missouri, born 1 November 1893, natural born citizen born in Bourbon, Missouri. His occupation is a farmer and his mother is dependant on him for support. He is single and Caucasian, has had no previous military service and does not claim exemption from the draft. He is medium height, medium build, blue eyes, black hair, not bald and has all extremities. Date of Draft Registration was 5 June 1917 at Precinct #9 at Jefferson County, Missouri.]

[2] Listed on his footstone at his gravesite states, "Columbus B. Pratt was a Horse Shoer in WWI. 46 INF 9 DIV". I attempted to obtain his war record from the War Records Division on Page Avenue, Saint Louis (county), Missouri however, the records were destroyed in a fire on July 12, 1973 and I haven't tried since November 11, 1977.

[3] Lum's obituary states he enlisted in World War 1 on 27 July 1917 and served until 10 February 1919.

Research Note

If you notice, Columbus and his brother Albert Paris Pratt (according to Albert's military record) were living at Rt#1, Catawissa, Missouri on 5 June 1917. This could have been where everyone became confused as to the birth location of Columbus and his siblings. Since we know he was born in Hamilton Hollow in Johnson Township, Washington County, Missouri where he lived until after the 1900 census and then moved to Crows Creek, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri by the 1910 census date and after his father died in 1914, his mother Laura Pratt moved to Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County to be near her father; Columbus Missey. Columbus Missey died in 1916 in Bourbon, and it looks like Laura Pratt and family moved outside of Catawissa, Calvey Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States sometime between 1916 and before the 5 June 1917 draft registration of her son; Columbus Pratt.

1917 World War I Military Enlistment Age 23 years, 7 months, 26 days

Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt or Lum, enlisted on 27 July 1917 in the United States Army at Jefferson Barracks and was assigned to the 9th Division of the 46th Missouri Infantry and served as a Horse Shoer and assigned to Company! of the 26th Missouri G. BN until his discharge on 10 February 1919 or 11 May 1918.

[1] Soldiers' Records: War of 1812 - World War I

http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/soldiers/details.asp?id=A103271&conflict=World% 20War%20I&txtName=Pratt&selConflict=World%20War%20I&txtUnit=&rbBranch PRATT, COLUMBUS Army Serial #1,991,772 Race W Residence: CATAWISSA, MO Inducted at: JEFF BARRACKS on 7/27/1917 Place of birth: CRAWFORD CO, MO Age or date of birth: 23 2/3YRS Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers: SUP CO 46 INFANTRY TO 11 MAY/18; CO A 26 M G BN TO DISCHARGE Grades, with date of appointment: HS 12/19 Engagements: Wounds or other injuries received in action: Served overseas from † To † from † To † Honorably discharged on demobilization Y In view of occupation he was, on date of discharge, reported N per cent disabled. Remarks: Form

No. 724-1, A.G.O. *Strike out words not applicable. †Dates of departure from and arrival in the U.S.

1917 Marriage of future brother-in-law; James Millard Johnson Jr. and future sister-in-law; Viola Adeline (ADAMS) age 24 years, 7 days

[1] Crawford County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "I", Page 377

James M. Johnson Jr. and Viola Adams were married on Saturday, 8 December 1917 in Bourbon, Crawford County, Missouri. Witnesses; Rue Johnson and Mae Adams.

1918 Events of 1918

Spanish 'flu kills 30 million people worldwide

Charles Jung invented fortune cookies

Anton Fokker invented the interrupter Gear

Charles Strite invented the pop-up toaster

A.M. Nicolson invented the radio crystal oscillator

Edwin H. Armstrong invented the super heterodyne

Edwin Howard Armstrong invented the superheterodyne radio circuit. Today, every radio or television set uses this invention

Song: I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles

Song: K-K-K-Katy

Song: Mammy

Song: Rock-A -By Your Baby With The Dixie Melody

A newspaper cartoonist, named Johnny Gruelle, began selling Raggedy Ann dolls based on one he had made for his daughter, Marcella, in 1915

The game "Consult El Caro" was first built. A metal ball fell into a recessed hole containing answers to questions

A pandemic of influenza killed 15,000,000 people worldwide, including 600,000 in the U.S. 1918-1919

In Kansas, 107 soldiers contracted the "Spanish" flu. This was the first of the pandemic, which killed 1,500,000 in the U.S. Monday, 11 March 1918

There were so many deaths due to the Spanish flue that Baltimore and Washington D.C. ran out of coffins Tuesday, 22 October 1918

1918 Brother's World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name: Albert Paris Pratt, Sullivan, Missouri Birthplace: Sullivan, Missouri Birth Date: 28 February 1897 Roll:1683163 DraftBoard: 0 Nearest relative: <u>Laura Pratt, Katwassa, Missouri</u> Date: 5 June 1918 Albert P Pratt was in the Army in WW1. Mo. PFC WWI

1918 Brother's World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name: Virgel Ransom Pratt City: Patsy County: Crawford State: Missouri Birth Date: 4 July 1899 Race: White Roll: 1683163 Draft Board: 0 Date: 12 September 1918. Farming for self. Nearest relative: Laura Pratt, Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1918 Death of sister: Mary Center (PRATT)

Mary Center (**PRATT**) died at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 7 October 1918.

Research Note

While Columbus Pratt was serving in World War I, his brothers, when they became of age

filled out the draft registration form and Albert on 5 June 1918 stated his mother was still living at Catawissa, Missouri and Virgil on 12 September 1918 stated she moved to Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. However, when Columbus Pratt's sister; Mary died on 7 October 1918, his mother had moved back to Bourbon according to Mary's death certificate. Bourbon is where Columbus Pratt found his mother when he was discharged in 1919 setting the stage for his courtship with a local beauty; Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**).

1918 Marriage of future father-in-law; James Millard Johnson Sr. and future step mother-in-law; Mrs. Mary Louvincy Emily (KING) Chappell

James Millard Johnson Sr. and Mrs. Mary Louvincy Emily (**KING**) Chappell were married in Crawford County, Missouri, on Sunday, 1 December 1918. This date has not been verified. Have not been able to locate through Internet sources.

1919 Events in 1919

The first licensed radio station, KDKA AM, in Pennsylvania, USA was invented Charles Strite invented the pop-up toaster

The short-wave radio was invented

The arc welder was invented

The flip-flop circuit was invented

Leon Theremin invented theremin

Song: A Pretty Girl Is Like A Melody

Song: How You Gotta Keep Them Down On The Farm? (After They've Seen Pa-ree)

World War I ended when The Treaty of Versailles was signed in France Saturday, 28 June 1919 Age 25 years, 6 months, 27 days

1919 World War I Military Discharged age 25 years, 2 months, 9 days

According to his newspaper obituary, which states he was discharged 10 February 1919, this is not in harmony with the above military record, which states he served until 11 May 1918. Without the military records for Columbus Pratt, we really don't know where he served or what foreign countries if any, he visited or when he actually served.

Research Note

Columbus arrived home from World War I in February 1919 and he would patronize the Mercantile store in Bourbon owned by Judge James Millard Johnson. Lum took notice of one of the Judge's daughters that worked in the store, 25-year-old; Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**). Rue was a mature beauty schooled in the musical arts as well as educated in the best schools that Bourbon had to offer. Not only could she play piano and organ but also was the only person that could sign language with the deaf people of the community. Educated in business by her father and educated in domestic homemaking by her mother, Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson an educated and refined woman herself, Rue learned all the skills of homemaking including cooking and sewing, and possessed a keen sharp mind with a witty sense of humor. Assuming the responsibilities of running her father's mercantile store, while he took care of affairs at the bank, where he was a partner. afforded Rue the opportunity to sharpen her skills as an entrepreneur. To worldly Columbus Pratt, Rue must have been a breath of fresh air compared to the horrors he had witnessed during his war years. What a delicate lovely flower of womanhood blooming in the aftermath of the terrible horrors of war. Such a refined, educated and resourceful example of someone he would want to educate and help him raise children. On the other side of the coin, as the

boys began to return from the war, victorious war heroes, dressed in their sharp military uniforms, carrying themselves with confidence and projecting a sense of pride and discipline, they must have appeared very attractive to the eligible women in the community. Rue, thought so and after a short courtship, Columbus and Rue were married at the Bourbon Methodist Church and moved in with her widowed father and newly bride in the old Johnson house at Walnut Street and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon. FTP

1919 Marriage of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt age 25 years, 4 months, 11 days and Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) age 25 years, 2 months, 24 days

[1] Crawford County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "I", Page 442: Rev. J.G. Craig married Columbus B. Pratt and Rue Johnson on Saturday, 12 April 1919 at the Bourbon Methodist Church. Lum bought the marriage license on Wednesday, April 9, 1919 at the Steelville, Crawford County, Missouri Courthouse.

1919 World War I ended when the The Treaty of Versailles was signed in France Saturday, 28 June 1919 age 25 years, 6 months, 27 days

1919 Rufus Allen Graddy (Brother-in-law) and Ruth Jane (PRATT) (Sister) were married

[1] Franklin County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "L", page 450 Rufus A. Graddy and Ruth Jane Pratt were married on Monday, 20 October 1919, in Union, Union Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States. Laura Pratt, mother of Ruth Jane Pratt gives her consent to the marriage.

1920 Events of 1920

Earle Dickson invented the Band-Aid The Tommy gun patented by John T. Thompson Song: I'll Be With You In Apple Blossom Time Song: When My Baby Smiles At Me

1920 Federal Census age 26 years, 1 month, 4 days

Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 3b, 5 January 1920, house 71,

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 26; Rue F. wife w f 25

[All born in Missouri including parents. This location was at the James Millard Johnson Sr. house on Walnut Street and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon, Missouri.]

1920 Death of grandmother-in-law; Harriet (KING) Barton age 26 years, 2 months, 2 days Harriet (KING) Barton died at her home on Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Town, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 3 February 1920.

1920 Childbirth of daughter; Mary Edith (PRATT) age 26 years, 2 months, 21 days
Mary Edith Pratt was born at Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford,
Missouri, United States on Sunday, 22 February 1920. This would have been at the Johnson
House on the corner of Blue Springs Road and Walnut Street. Owned by James Millard
Johnson Sr. who allowed his daughter, Rue and son-n-law Lum Pratt to live in after they
were married. There is a picture of this house in the Johnson-Barton file.

1921 Events of 1921

The first robot was built

The John Larson invented the lie detector

Song: Blue Moon

Song: California Here I Come Song: I'm Just Wild About Harry Song: Ma! (He's Making Eyes At Me)

Song: Secondhand Rose

Wyandotte Toys of Wyandotte, Mich., was founded and initially concentrated on toy pistols Warren Harding became the 29th President of the United States Friday, 4 March 1921 "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" was released to movie theaters Sunday, 6 March 1921

1921 Childbirth of son; Carl Benjamin Pratt age 27 years, 11 months, 24 days

Carl Benjamin Pratt was born at Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Friday, 25 November 1921.

1922 Events of 1922

R. A. Watkins patented the "Magic Slate". He obtained rights to it by paying the bail for its inventor

Robert Watson-Watt Taylor Young Breit Tuve invented radar

Herbert T. Kalmus invented the Technicolor

Song: Chicago

Song: I'll See You In My Dreams Song: Rose Of The Rio Grande

Song: Way Down Yonder In New Orleans

The Pressman Toy Corporation began by selling the first toy Doctor Bag

1922 Death of grandfather-in-law; William Barton age 28 years, 1 month, 6 days

William Barton died at the home of son; Zechariah Alonzo & Mary Alice (**SELF**) Barton family on Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Town, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 7 January 1922.

Research Note

The Barton house owned and lived in by William and Harriet (KING) Barton was located behind and south of the Johnson House down in the field. Sometime before their deaths, son; Zechariah Alonzo "Lon" & Mary Alice (SELF) Barton family moved into that home and took care of his parents. When they died in 1920-1922 respectively, Lon and family inherited that dwelling and moved out and rented that home to the Columbus & Rue (JOHNSON) Pratt family.

1923 Events of 1923

Television was invented by Philo Farnsworth (Mormon)

Ernst Alexanderson invented the arc tube

Juan de la Cierva invented the autogyro

Lee DeForest invented the sound film

Max Munk invented the wind tunnel

Song: Down Hearted Blues

Song: It Ain't Gonna Rain No Mo'

Song: Sonny Boy

Song: Tea For Two

Song: Yes, We Have No Bananas

Beatrice Alexander Behrman created Madame Alexander dolls. Her creations were famous for their molded heads and limbs, lifelike eyes, rooted hair and elaborate costumes Calvin Coolidge became the 30th President of the United States Friday, 3 August 1923

1924 Events of 1924

Song: It Had To Be You Song: Rhapsody In Blue Song: Sweet Georgia Brown

A.A. Milne, was inspired by his son, Christopher Robin, to write the poems and stories of Winnie the Pooh

1924 Childbirth of son; Roy Lee Pratt age 30 years, 11 months, 12 days

Roy Lee Pratt was born at Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 13 November 1924.

1924-1927 Family Move

Roy was born in Bourbon and Dad told me he was born at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri. Therefore they left the Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road and moved to the Uhlinger Farm between 1924-1927.

1925 Events of 1925

C. Francis Jenkins invented the telephoto lens

Vladimir Zworykin invented the television Iconoscope

C. Francis Jenkins invented the television Nipkow System

Theodor Svedberg - used to determine molecular weights, invented the ultra-centrifuge

Song: Five Feet Two, Eyes Of Blue

Song: I Dreamed I Saw Joe Hill Last Night

Song: Yes Sir, That's My Baby

After a 1,000 km dog sled trip, emergency diphtheria serum reached Nome, Alaska Monday, 2 February 1925

"The Gold Rush" was released to movie theaters Friday, 26 June 1925

1926 Events of 1926

Rotheim invented the aerosol spray

John Logie Baird invented the television Mechanical Scanner

Song: Baby Face Song: Blue Skies

Song: Bye-Bye Blackbird

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Song: Doctor. Jazz

Song: Smoke House Blues

Miniature golf was invented

The United States Army Air Corp was established Friday, 2 July 1926

1926 Virgil Ranson Pratt (Brother) and Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) (Sister-in-law) were married age 32 years, 2 months, 26 days

Virgil Pratt and Eula Richardson were married on Saturday, 27 February 1926 in Steelville, Crawford County, Missouri.

1926 Albert "Al" Paris Pratt (Brother) and Mary (SHEPARD) (Sister-in-law) were married age 32 years, 4 months, 2 days

Albert Pratt of Bourbon in the County of Crawford, Missouri who is over the age of 21 years and Mary Shepard of Sullivan in the County of Franklin, Missouri who is under the age of 21 years.

Were married on Saturday, 3 April 1926 in Union, MO by D. W. Bried JP of Union Township. J.H. Shepard, father of Mary Shepard has given his assent to the said marriage.

1927 Events of 1927

John Rust invented the mechanical cotton picker

Song: Ain't She Sweet

Song: Blue Skies

Song: I'm Looking Over A Four-Leaf Clover

Song: Let A Smile Be Your Umbrella

Song: Old Man River

Eduard Haas III invented "PEZ Candy". It was initially intended for adult smokers to cover their breath

Polystyrene, the first plastic strong enough for children's toys, was invented. Although the first plastic, celluloid, was invented in the 1860s, polystyrene is the first type strong enough to really suit toy making

"The General" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 5 February 1927

"Metropolis" was released to movie theaters Sunday, 13 March 1927

"7th Heaven" was released to movie theaters Friday, 6 May 1927

"Wings" was released to movie theaters Friday, 12 August 1927

"Sunrise" was released to movie theaters Friday, 23 September 1927

"The Way of All Flesh" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 1 October 1927

"The Jazz Singer" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 6 October 1927

1927 Childbirth of son; Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt age 33 years, 1 month, 5 days

Floyd Theodore Pratt was born at the Uhlinger Farm, outside of Bourbon, on highway CC in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Thursday, 6 January 1927. [My father]

1928 Events of 1928

Otto Frederick Rohwedder invented sliced bread

Jacob Schick invented the electric dry shaver

Song: American In Paris

Song: Button Up Your Overcoat

Song: Lover, Come Back To Me

Song: Puttin' on the Ritz

Song: Stout-Hearted Men

Song: Sweet Lorraine

Song: You're The Cream In My Coffee

The Rudy Vallee Show 1928 to 1955 on radio

"The Last Command" was released to movie theaters Sunday, 22 January 1928

Amos 'n' Andy Monday, 19 March 1928 to Friday, 25 November 1960 on radio

"Street Angel" was released to movie theaters Monday, 9 April 1928

Pedro Flores made 12 Yo-Yos by hand. By November 1929, he had three factories producing 300,000 Yo-Yos per day Saturday, 23 June 1928

1929 Events of 1929

Antibiotics were developed

The electroencephelograph (EEG) was invented by Hans Berger

Song: Ain't Misbehavin'

Song: Happy Days Are Here Again Song: I'm Just A Vagabond Lover Song: Tiptoe Through The Tulips

Song: With A Song In My Heart

The game of Bingo originated from an Italian game that dated back to 1530. It was first played with beans in a carnival in Atlanta where it was called Beano

The Shadow of Fu Manchu 1929 to Wednesday, 11 September 1940 radio

True Detective Mysteries 1929 to 1959 radio

"In Old Arizona" was released to movie theaters Sunday, 20 January 1929

"The Broadway Melody" was released to movie theaters Friday, 1 February 1929

Herbert Hoover became the 31st President of the United States Monday, 4 March 1929

"The Passion of Joan of Arc" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 28 March 1929

"Coquette" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 30 March 1929

"Disraeli" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 2 October 1929

1929 Childbirth of daughter; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) age 35 years, 4 months, 4 days

Nadine Wilma Pearl Pratt was born at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Friday, 5 April 1929.

1929 Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt (Brother) and Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) Davidson (Sister-in-law) were married age 35 years, 9 months, 21 days

Jesse L. Pratt and Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) Davidson were married on Sunday, 22 September 1929 in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

Research Note

On the horizon loomed a great and terrible event that would change the lives and fortunes of millions of people around the world. The following is an account leading up to that terrible event. I have enclosed it here to prepare you for the change of fortune the Pratts and millions of others had to endure. FTP

Overview of the Stock Market Crash of 1929:

http://history1900s.about.com/od/1920s/a/stockcrash1929.htm

The end of World War I heralded a new era in the United States. It was an era of enthusiasm, confidence, and optimism. A time when inventions such as the airplane and radio made anything seems possible. A time when 19th century morals were set aside and flappers became the model of the new woman. A time when Prohibition renewed confidence in the productivity of the common man. It is in such times of optimism that people take their savings out from under their mattresses and out of banks and invest it. In the 1920s, many invested in the stock market.

The Stock Market Boom

Although the stock market has the reputation of being a risky investment, it did not appear that way in the 1920s. With the mood of the country exuberant, the stock market seemed an infallible investment in the future.

As more people invested in the stock market, stock prices began to rise. This was first noticeable in 1925. Stock prices then bobbed up and down throughout 1925 and 1926, followed by a strong upward trend in 1927. The strong bull market (when prices are rising in the stock market) enticed even more people to invest. And by 1928, a stock market boom had begun.

The stock market boom changed the way investors viewed the stock market. No longer was the stock market for long-term investment. Rather, in 1928, the stock market had become a place where everyday people truly believed that they could become rich. Interest in the stock market reached a fevered pitch. Stocks had become the talk of every town. Discussions about stocks could be heard everywhere, from parties to barber shops. As newspapers reported stories of ordinary people - like chauffeurs, maids, and teachers - making millions off the stock market, the fervor to buy stocks grew exponentially.

Although an increasing number of people wanted to buy stocks, not everyone had the money to do so.

Buying on Margin

When someone did not have the money to pay the full price of stocks, they could buy stocks "on margin."

Buying stocks on margin means that the buyer would put down some of his own money, but the rest he would borrow from a broker. In the 1920s, the buyer only had to put down 10 to 20 percent of his own money and thus borrowed 80 to 90 percent of the cost of the stock. Buying on margin could be very risky. If the price of stock fell lower than the loan amount, the broker would likely issue a "margin call," which means that the buyer must come up with the cash to pay back his loan immediately.

In the 1920s, many speculators (people who hoped to make a lot of money on the stock market) bought stocks on margin. Confident in what seemed a never-ending rise in prices, many of these speculators neglected to seriously consider the risk they were taking.

Signs of Trouble

By early 1929, people across the United States were scrambling to get into the stock market. The profits seemed so assured that even many companies placed money in the stock market. And even more problematically, some banks placed customers' money in the stock market (without their knowledge). With the stock market prices upward bound, everything seemed wonderful. When the great crash hit in October, these people were taken by surprise. However, there had been warning signs.

On March 25, 1929, the stock market suffered a mini-crash. It was a prelude of what was to come. As prices began to drop, panic struck across the country as margin calls were issued. When banker Charles Mitchell made an announcement that his bank would keep lending, his reassurance stopped the panic. Although Mitchell and others tried the tactic of reassurance again in October, it did not stop the big crash.

By the spring of 1929, there were additional signs that the economy might be headed for a serious setback. Steel production went down; house construction slowed; and car sales waned.

At this time, there were also a few reputable people warning of an impending, major crash;

however, as month after month went by without one, those that advised caution were labeled pessimists and ignored.

Summer Boom

Both the mini-crash and the naysayers were nearly forgotten when the market surged ahead during the summer of 1929. From June through August, stock market prices reached their highest levels to date. To many, the continual increase of stocks seemed inevitable. When economist Irving Fisher stated, "Stock prices have reached what looks like a permanently high plateau," he was stating what many speculators wanted to believe.

On September 3, 1929, the stock market reached its peak with the Dow Jones Industrial Average closing at 381.17. Two days later, the market started dropping. At first, there was no massive drop. Stock prices fluctuated throughout September and into October until the massive drop on Black Thursday.

Black Thursday - October 24, 1929

On the morning of Thursday, October 24, 1929, stock prices plummeted. Vast numbers of people were selling their stocks. Margin calls were sent out. People across the country watched the ticker as the numbers it spit out spelled their doom. The ticker was so overwhelmed that it quickly fell behind. A crowd gathered outside of the New York Stock Exchange on Wall Street, stunned at the downturn. Rumors circulated of people committing suicide.

To the great relief of many, the panic subsided in the afternoon. When a group of bankers pooled their money and invested a large sum back into the stock market, their willingness to invest their own money in the stock market convinced others to stop selling.

The morning had been shocking, but the recovery was amazing. By the end of the day, many people were again buying stocks at what they thought were bargain prices.

On "Black Thursday," 12.9 million shares were sold - double the previous record. Four days later, the stock market fell again.

1929 The "Great Depression" began on Black Tuesday when the New York Stock
Exchange crashed to an all-time low Tuesday, 29 October 1929 age 35 years, 10 months,
28 days

The Stock Market Crash

http://history1900s.about.com/od/1930s/p/greatdepression.htm

After nearly a decade of optimism and prosperity, the United States was thrown into despair on Black Tuesday, October 29, 1929, the day the stock market crashed and the official beginning of the Great Depression. As stock prices plummeted with no hope of recovery, panic struck. Masses and masses of people tried to sell their stock, but no one was buying. The stock market, which had appeared to be the surest way to become rich, quickly became the path to bankruptcy.

And yet, the Stock Market Crash was just the beginning. Since many banks had also invested large portions of their clients' savings in the stock market, these banks were forced

to close when the stock market crashed. Seeing a few banks close caused another panic across the country. Afraid they would lose their own savings, people rushed to banks that were still open to withdraw their money. This massive withdrawal of cash caused additional banks to close.

Since there was no way for a bank's clients to recover any of their savings once the bank had closed, those who didn't reach the bank in time also became bankrupt.

Businesses and industry were also affected. Having lost much of their own capital in either the Stock Market Crash or the bank closures, many businesses started cutting back their workers' hours or wages. In turn, consumers began to curb their spending, refraining from purchasing such things as luxury goods. This lack of consumer spending caused additional businesses to cut back wages or, more drastically, to lay off some of their workers.

Some businesses couldn't stay open even with these cuts and soon closed their doors, leaving all their workers unemployed.

Research Note

After the war, Columbus farmed the land around the house on Walnut Street and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon. They had a very large garden with fruit trees. Columbus had been taught by his father; Winslow the art of cutting railroad ties, staves and mining supports from the local forests. However, as Columbus progressed in age, his strength and stamina could not support such grueling daily labor. Although he incorporated his sons in such labor, the work was hard and tedious and several voiced concerns that there had to be a better way to earn a living. Columbus agreed and sometime during the 1920's or 1930's, became interested in stonemasonry.

Bourbon was home to a renowned master stonemason named Leopold "Leo" Friesenhan. Mr. Friesenhan had earned a great reputation from his skills as a stonemason he honed in St. Louis. Mr. Friesenhan had built many barns, restaurants, houses, walls and even a multicomplex motel in Cuba called the Wagon Wheel Motel, Cafe and Station.

Somehow, Columbus came to the attention of Mr. Friesenhan and a friendship evolved. Seeking help and guidance from Mr. Friesenhan, Columbus was fortunate to be taken under Mr. Friesenhan's wing and taught the skills of this art. After his apprenticeship, Columbus began to hone his skills as a stonemason. He built retaining walls, barns, chimneys, store sheds, smoke houses and homes all types of structures that are still standing today as a credit to his skill and craftsmanship. Dad took me to several of these locations and I saw these monuments to Lum's craftsmanship myself. As Columbus' health declined, he began to support his family by driving trucks for various companies in and around the Bourbon community.

On the other hand, Rue had been trained by her mother; Dosia in the art of food storage and preservation. She would can dozens of jars of fruits and vegetables, when in season, for the winter and off-season months.

Hunting wild game was a big contribution to the Pratt dinner table. My dad recalled, being sent out with one 22-caliber bullet to shoot a squirrel for supper. Money was tight and one bullet is all you got and you better not miss! After the boys would clean the game, Rue would

cook and prepare a meal fit for a king. She was truly a lifesaver for her family.

Since, Columbus was an entrepreneur, the great crash of the stock market did not affect his family as deeply as others. They had been living off the land and continued even to the point of helping other families in need. However, not so many were that fortunate, including his father-in-law; Judge James Millard Johnson who had tied up his money is several business ventures, *i.e.*, mercantile store, bank and various other investments. When the stock market crashed, Judge Johnson lost all his fortune and investments. This happened over a period of time but eventually he never recovered from the financial loss. FTP

1930 Events in 1930

Wallace Carothers invented neoprene

Wallace Carothers invented nylon

"The Divorcee" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 19 April 1930

"All Quiet on the Western Front" was released to movie theaters Monday, 21 April 1930

The Shadow Thursday, 31 July 1930 to Sunday, 26 December 1954 radio

Death Valley Days Tuesday, 30 September 1930 to Friday, 14 September 1951 radio

Sherlock Holmes Monday, 20 October 1930 to Saturday, 1 September 1956 radio

The First Nighter Thursday, 27 November 1930 to Tuesday, 8 September 1953 radio

"Min and Bill" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 29 November 1930

1930 Federal Census age 36 years, 4 months, 7 days

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177a, 8 April 1930, line 8, house 24, family 24

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 36; Rue F. wife w f 36; Mary E. dau w f 10; Carl D.

son w m 8; Roy L. son w m 5; Floyd T. son w m 3; Nadine W. dau w f 1

[All born in Missouri. Columbus parents born in Missouri, Rue says her father born in Illinois and mother born in South Carolina. Lum and Rue says they were aged 25 when they first got married. Columbus says he is a veteran of WWI. No occupation listed for Lum.]

1931 Events of 1931

Karl Jansky Grote Reber invented the Radio telescope

Song: All Of Me

Song: I Love A Parade

Song: Mood Indigo

Song: That Silver-Haired Daddy Of Mine

Alfred M. Butts invented the game of Scrabble but he called it the Criss Cross Game

Andre Kostalenetz Orchestra 1931 to 1946 radio

Kate Smith (Various shows) 1931 to 1959 radio

"Cimarron" was released to movie theaters Monday, 26 January 1931

"City Lights" was released to movie theaters Friday, 6 February 1931

March of Time Friday, 6 March 1931 to Tuesday, 25 June 1946 radio

Lum and Abner Sunday, 26 April 1931 to Friday, 7 May 1954 radio

"A Free Soul" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 20 June 1931

Walter Winchell Sunday, 30 August 1931 to Sunday, 3 March 1957 radio

Bing Crosby Wednesday, 2 September 1931 to Wednesday, 2 October 1957 radio

The Eddie Cantor Show Sunday, 13 September 1931 to Thursday, 1 July 1954 radio

"The Sin of Madelon Claudet" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 24 October 1931

Myrt and Marge Monday, 2 November 1931 to Friday, 27 September 1946 radio

"The Champ" was released to movie theaters Friday, 13 November 1931
The Hedda Hopper Show Sunday, 15 November 1931 to Sunday, 20 May 1951 radio
"Frankenstein" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 21 November 1931

1931 Childbirth of son; James "Jim" Henry Pratt age 37 years, 1 month, 5 days James "Jim" Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 6 January 1931.

1931-1939 Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt (Brother) and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz
Bellamy Vail Stall (Sister-in-law) were married about age 38 years through about 46 years
Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz
Bellamy Vail Stall were married after her divorce date and before 1939, probably in the
Kansas City area.

Research Note

For a full report on the wives of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt read the following article..." **The Amazing Wives of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt"** by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 8
June 2008

1932 Events in 1932

Edwin H. Land invented the Polaroid glass Song: Brother, Can You Spare A Dime

Song: Let's Have Another Cup Of Coffee Song: Night And Day

A Danish toy maker, Ole Christiansen, invented Lego bricks. The name, Lego, comes from the Danish word, "LEgGOdt," meaning, "Play well."

Al Jolson 1932 to 1939 radio

Marx Brothers 1932 to 1939 radio

Easy Aces 1932 to 1945 radio

The Ed Sullivan Show 1932 to 1946 radio

Just Plain Bill 1932 to 1955 radio

Bobby Benson's Adventures 1932 to Monday, 28 December 1959 radio

The Fire Chief (The Ed Wynn Show) Sunday, 10 January 1932 to Monday, 25 March 1935 radio

Burns and Allen Monday, 15 February 1932 to Wednesday, 17 May 1950 radio

"Grand Hotel" was released to movie theaters Tuesday, 12 April 1932

One Man's Family Friday, 29 April 1932 to Friday, 8 May 1959 radio

Jack Benny Monday, 2 May 1932 to Sunday, 22 May 1955 radio

Tarzan Monday, 12 September 1932 to Saturday, 27 June 1953 radio

Chandu the Magician Monday, 10 October 1932 to Wednesday, 6 September 1950 radio

Fred Allen Sunday, 23 October 1932 to Sunday, 26 June 1949 radio

Buck Rogers Monday, 7 November 1932 to Saturday, 1 March 1947 radio

1932 Orville Hayes Pratt (Brother) and Mary Olive (MALLOW) (Sister-in-law) were married age 38 years, 7 months, 11 days

Orville Pratt & Olive Mallow, were married at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1805 S. Eighth Street, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States 63104 on 12 July 1932, Groom 22 years old from Bourbon, Missouri. Bride 19 years old from Sullivan, Missouri. Witnesses, Jesse Pratt; Nadine Pratt.

Research Note

Due to a lack of cash flow, most Americans found they could no longer find work or an income in the regions in which they lived. Word would circulate about job openings and hiring's across the nation and thousands if not millions of workers decided in order to make any amount of money they needed to relocate to those areas that offered a job.

The only method that afforded them a ready-made transportation system across this nation was the railroads. Consequently, during the depression years 1930-1940, hobos, tramps and vagabonds as they became known, would jump the trains illegally and ride across America from one locale to another in pursuit of employment...to the chagrin of the railroad companies. These free loading passengers were a loss of income to the railroad companies and they took extreme measures to keep these non-paying passengers off the trains. Even to the point of hiring brutal, cruel and vicious men called "bulls" to physically remove these men even if it meant inflicting injury or loss of life.

All along the railroad tracks, hoboes would set up "shanty towns" where a group of them would live in makeshift shacks made of wood, cardboard, steel remnants or any other material that afforded them protection from the harsh weather. When a train would pull out of the railroad station, these hoboes would run along the tracks and grab the train as it gained speed hopping onto the boxcars, hoping not to get caught by the "bulls".

Most of these unfortunate survivors of a collapsed marketing system, would go door to door in these small towns asking for a handout of food, clothing or medical treatment in exchange for acts of menial labor. They would offer to cut firewood or fix and repair items that the homeowner needed repairing. This exchange of labor for food was beneficial for both parties, since many homeowners were widows and single woman who could not afford to pay someone to have those repairs made, but could provide a meal or some clothing in exchange for the labor.

Over time, these hobos and rail riders developed a system to alert other rail riders that the homeowner at a particular home was willing to help and they could be trusted to provide assistance to the less fortunate. This system was a form of communication comprised of a physical sign marking a tree, gate or fence or any another item located at the entrance to the homeowner's property. These "markings" alerted fellow travelers that they could count on the homeowner of this property to help.

Lum and Rue were people of this caliber, offering help to the hoboes when asked. Dad says he remembered hoboes stopping by and eating at his house or making repairs to the property many times. He said his mother never turned down anyone asking for help. Even with the meager provisions that Lum and Rue had for their family, they always found food to share with others. I consider those markings on the gate or fence a badge of honor and It is because of millions off people like my grandparents, exhibiting Christian charity to those less fortunate that has kept this world from wasting away. FTP

1933 Events in 1933

Song: Basin Street Blues Song: Easter Parade Song: Heat Wave

Song: Minnie The Moocher

Song: We're In The Money

Charles B. Darrow invented monopoly

The Romance of Helen Trent 1933 to 1960 radio

The Breakfast Club with Don O'Neil 1933 to 1968 radio

"Cavalcade" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 7 January 1933

The Lone Ranger Tuesday, 31 January 1933 to Friday, 3 September 1954 radio

Franklin Delano Roosevelt became the 32nd President of the United States Saturday, 4 March 1933

"M" was released to movie theaters Sunday, 2 April 1933

"King Kong" was released to movie theaters Friday, 7 April 1933

Kraft Music Hall Monday, 26 June 1933 to Thursday, 22 September 1949 radio

Jack Armstrong, All-American Boy Monday, 31 July 1933 to Thursday, 28 June 1951 radio

"Morning Glory" was released to movie theaters Friday, 18 August 1933

"The Private Life of Henry VIII" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 21 September 1933

Tom Mix, U.S. Marshall Monday, 25 September 1933 to Thursday, 1 June 1950 radio

"Duck Soup" was released to movie theaters Friday, 17 November 1933

Ma Perkins Wednesday, 13 December 1933 to Friday, 25 November 1960 radio

1934 Events in 1934

Song: On The Good Ship Lollipop

Song: Tumbling Tumbleweeds

Song: Winter Wonderland

The game of Sorry! is a variant of the game Parcheesi from India

Tommy Dorsey Orchestra 1934 to 1946 radio

Lights Out 1934 to Wednesday, 6 August 1947 radio

"It Happened One Night" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 22 February 1934

Let's Pretend Saturday, 24 March 1934 to Saturday, 23 October 1954 radio

"The Thin Man" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 23 May 1934

Lux Radio Theater Saturday, 13 October 1934 to Tuesday, 7 June 1955 radio

1935 Events of 1935

Earl Whittier Stephen invented the casein fiber

Laurens Hammond invented the Hammond Organ

Robert Watson-Watt invented the microwave radar

Arthur C. Hardy invented the spectrophotometer

George Nissen and Larry Griswold invented the trampoline

Song: I Got Plenty O' Nuttin'

Song: I'm In The Mood For Love

Song: Moon Over Miami

Song: Red Sails In The Sunset

Major Bowes' Original Amateur Hour 1935 to 1946 radio

Bob Hope Friday, 4 January 1935 to Thursday, 21 April 1955 radio

Backstage Wife (Stella Dallas) Monday, 1 April 1935 to Friday, 2 January 1959 radio

Fibber McGee & Molly Tuesday, 16 April 1935 to Sunday, 6 September 1959 radio

"Bride of Frankenstein" was released to movie theaters Monday, 22 April 1935

"The Informer" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 9 May 1935

G-Men (later called Gangbusters) Saturday, 20 July 1935 to Sunday, 9 November 1958 radio

Your Hit Parade Saturday, 27 July 1935 to Sunday, 1 March 1959 radio

"The 39 Steps" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 1 August 1935
Cavalcade of America Wednesday, 9 October 1935 to Tuesday, 31 March 1953 radio
Little Orphan Annie Friday, 18 October 1935 to Sunday, 29 September 1940 radio
The Goldbergs Wednesday, 13 November 1935 to 1950 radio
"A Night at the Opera" was released to movie theaters Friday, 15 November 1935
"Mutiny on the Bounty" was released to movie theaters Friday, 22 November 1935
"The Story of Louis Pasteur" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 23 November 1935
"Dangerous" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 25 December 1935

Research Note

Should be noted as American families gathered together after dinner around their Philco and Admiral tube radios to listen to their favorite radio shows...not many could afford the money to go to the movie theatres. The movie theatres were in town and it took a long time to get to town especially by horse or wagon. Also, to earn a nickel or a dime was difficult and took many hours of hard labor to achieve those admission fees. My dad said that he wanted to buy an old used bicycle and he had to milk a neighbor's cow everyday in the morning and the evening for several weeks to earn the \$1.50 to buy his bicycle.

The Electric Cooperatives in rural America began a big push to get rural families "hooked" on electricity even going so far as to install the lines and provide free electricity to the community. The strategy was to get the customers accustomed to the service and dependant to the point they would eventually sign up as paying customers.

As rural families and farms started to acquire electric service, radios were one of the first items every household had to have. After a hard day in the fields, parents and school aged children, after their chores were done, with supper out of the way, wasted no time gathering in the living room or parlor to settle down to an evening of westerns, mysteries, crime and suspense and a variety of musical programs playing the latest "hit" songs as well as comedy shows with some of the top entertainers to entertain America on a daily basis.

The children had their favorite shows, the wife or mother had her favorite shows and the father had his favorite shows. Each weeknight like clockwork, their shows would come on at a specific day and time and some of the shows, carried a continuing adventure from one week to another called "serials".

These serials usually put the hero of the story in jeopardy. For instance, "our hero" would be caught in a wagon rolling over a cliff, the music would be ominous followed by an announcement "continued next week" followed by the conclusion the following night or week.

This strategy of keeping the audience loyal to the show was especially successful to the advertisers whose product sales increased each week due to a growing addicted audience. This "cliffhanger" tactic had been very successful even when it transcended into the television arena capturing and retaining repeat audiences for advertiser money. Some of these shows were presented on a daily basis and others carried over on a weekly basis.

Besides the entertainment value, the evening news was important because it was through the radio that current and up-to-date events were reported keeping the families of America informed about local, regional, national and worldly news events.

Also, sport programs were very important to the loyal fans of the area. My Dad told me that his grandpa: Judge James Millard Johnson would sit in his rocker in the living room at the Johnson House in Bourbon and listen to the Cardinals baseball game on the radio. Dad said Grandpa Johnson would slowly rock back and forth as he listened to the game and when someone got a hit the announcer would get excited and Grandpa would get excited and rock faster and faster and then when the announcer calmed down then Grandpa Johnson would slow down and resume his steady rocking.

Those who lived in the larger cities or lived close to town would seek out the movie theatres often usually prompted by Saturday matinee promotions given by the studio and theatre management. Not only could you see a first run movie, but also there were usually a cartoon followed by a "short" film followed by the main matinee.

The "short" was usually a serial type of story that dealt with an adventure, western, crime or suspense story designed to capture the imagination of the viewing audience. Examples would be Rin Tin, The Lone Ranger, Rocket Man and Buck Rogers to name a few. Each of these "short" mini-movies were designed to excite and stimulate the audiences, which led to increased popcorn, soda or pop, and candy sales at the concession stand. Sometimes the matinee movie would be a double feature, which I attended in the 1950's for 50¢. I especially enjoyed the creature feature movies of the 1950's era.

Regardless of your interest in the radio, it was the focal point of the home as well as the local business establishments. Men would patronize barbershops, mercantile stores, pool halls, taverns and social clubs always popular for gathering and discussing the daily news and sporting events with contemporaries. FTP

1936 Events of 1936

Song: Cool Water

Song: I'm An Old Cowhand From The Rio Grande

Song: Pennies From Heaven

Song: Walking Blues

The Green Hornet Friday, 31 January 1936 to Friday, 5 December 1952 radio "Modern Times" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 5 February 1936 The Baby Snooks Show Saturday, 29 February 1936 to Tuesday, 29 May 1951 radio

Adolf Hitler broke the Treaty of Versailles when he ordered troops to march into the Rhineland Saturday, 7 March 1936

"The Great Ziegfeld" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 8 April 1936 The Adventures of Ellery Queen Thursday, 18 June 1936 to Thursday, 27 May 1948 radio Pepper Young's Family Monday, 29 June 1936 to Friday, 16 January 1959 radio Columbia Workshop Saturday, 18 July 1936 to Saturday, 25 January 1947 radio "Anthony Adverse" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 29 August 1936 The Adventures of Charlie Chan Thursday, 17 September 1936 to Tuesday, 25 January 1949 radio

"Come and Get It" was released to movie theaters Friday, 6 November 1936

1936 Death of step-mother-in-law; Mary Louvincy Emily (KING) Chappell Johnson age 42 years, 1 month

Mary Louvincy Emily (KING) Chappell Johnson died in Bourbon Town, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 1 January 1936.

1936 Albert "Al" Paris Pratt (Brother) died age 42 years, 8 months, 10 days

Albert "Al" Paris Pratt died in Saint Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 11 August 1936.

1937 Events of 1937

Frank Whittle Hans von Ohain invented the jet engine

Song: Bei Mirbist Du Schon (Means I Love You)

Song: Harbor Lights Song: It Looks Like Rain

Song: Sweet Leilani

Song: Thanks For The Memory

The Answer Man 1937 to 1956 radio

The Road of Life 1937 to 1959 radio

The Guiding Light Monday, 25 January 1937 to Friday, 29 June 1956 radio

Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy Saturday, 1 May 1937 to Sunday, 1 July 1956 radio

Vic and Sade Friday, 28 May 1937 to Thursday, 10 October 1946 radio

"Captains Courageous" was released to movie theaters Friday, 25 June 1937

"The Good Earth" was released to movie theaters Friday, 6 August 1937

Bill Stern's Sports Newsreel Friday, 1 October 1937 to Friday, 29 June 1951 radio

"The Life of Emile Zola" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 2 October 1937

Grand Central Station Friday, 8 October 1937 to Friday, 2 April 1954 radio

Mr. Keen, Tracer of Lost Persons Tuesday, 12 October 1937 to Tuesday, 19 April 1955 radio

Terry and the Pirates Monday, 1 November 1937 to 1948 radio

1937 Columbus Bejamin Alexander Pratt obtained a Social Security Card age 43 years, 6 months, 29 days

[1] Columbus B. Pratt obtained a social security card date of issue Wednesday, 30 June 1937.

[2] [Not in the Social Security Death Index]

1938 Events of 1938

Konrad Zuse invented the computer

Games Slayter John H. Thomas invented the fiberglass

Song: A-Tisket, A-Tasket

Song: At This Get A Task At

Song: My Reverie

Song: Whistle While You Work

Song: You Must Have Been A Beautiful Baby

Challenge of the Yukon Thursday, 3 February 1938 to Thursday, 9 June 1955 radio

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" was released to movie theaters Friday, 4 February 1938

Dick Tracy Tuesday, 8 February 1938 to Monday, 26 April 1948 radio

"Bringing Up Baby" was released to movie theaters Friday, 18 February 1938

"Jezebel" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 10 March 1938

"In Old Chicago" was released to movie theaters Friday, 15 April 1938

"The Adventures of Robin Hood" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 14 May 1938

Information, Please! Tuesday, 17 May 1938 to Sunday, 22 April 1951 radio

Glenn Miller Show Saturday, 18 June 1938 to Wednesday, 1 November 1944 radio

Orson Welles' Mercury Theater on the Air - Campbell Playhouse Monday, 11 July 1938 to Monday, 2 February 1942 radio

"Boys Town" was released to movie theaters Friday, 9 September 1938

"You Can't Take It With You" was released to movie theaters Friday, 30 September 1938

"Kentucky" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 24 December 1938

1938 Radio Broadcast War of the Worlds Sunday, 30 October 1938 age 44 years, 10 months, 29 days

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The War of the Worlds (radio drama)

The War of the Worlds is an episode of the American radio drama anthology series The Mercury Theatre on the Air. It was performed as a Halloween episode of the series on October 30, 1938, and aired over the Columbia Broadcasting System radio network. Directed and narrated by actor and future filmmaker Orson Welles, the episode was an adaptation of H. G. Wells's novel The War of the Worlds (1898).

The first two thirds of the 60-minute broadcast were presented as a series of simulated news bulletins, which suggested to many listeners that an actual alien invasion by Martians was currently in progress. Compounding the issue was the fact that the Mercury Theatre on the Air was a sustaining show (it ran without commercial breaks), adding to the program's realism. Although there were sensationalist accounts in the press about a supposed panic in response to the broadcast, the precise extent of listener response has been debated. In the days following the adaptation, however, there was widespread outrage and panic by certain listeners, who had believed the events described in the program were real. The program's news-bulletin format was described as cruelly deceptive by some newspapers and public figures, leading to an outcry against the perpetrators of the broadcast. Despite these complaints, the episode secured Welles' fame as a dramatist.

The program, broadcast from the 20th floor at 485 Madison Avenue in New York City, starts with an introduction from the novel, describing the intentions of the aliens and noting that the adaptation is set in 1939, a year ahead of the actual broadcast date. The program continues with a weather report and an ordinary dance band remote featuring "Ramon Raquello and His Orchestra" (actually the CBS orchestra under the direction of Bernard Herrmann that is interrupted by news flashes about strange explosions on Mars. Welles makes his first appearance as the (fictional) famous astronomer and Princeton professor Richard Pierson, who dismisses speculation about life on Mars.

The news grows more frequent and increasingly ominous as a cylindrical meteorite lands in Grover's Mill, New Jersey. A crowd gathers at the site. Reporter Carl Phillips (Readick) relates the events. The meteorite unscrews, revealing itself as a rocket machine. Onlookers catch a glimpse of a tentacled, pulsating, barely mobile Martian inside before it incinerates the crowd with Heat-Rays. Phillips's shouts about incoming flames are cut off in midsentence. (Later surveys indicate that many listeners heard only this portion of the show before contacting neighbors or family to inquire about the broadcast. Many contacted others in turn, leading to rumors and confusion.

Regular programming breaks down as the studio struggles with casualty updates, firefighting developments and the like. A shaken Pierson speculates about Martian technology. The New Jersey state militia declares martial law and attacks the cylinder; a

message from their field headquarters lectures about the overwhelming force of properly equipped infantry and the helplessness of the Martians in Earth's gravity until a tripod alien fighting machine rears up from the pit.

The Martians obliterate the militia, and the studio returns, now describing the Martians as an invading army. Emergency response bulletins give way to damage reports and evacuation instructions as millions of refugees clog the roads. Three Martian tripods from the cylinder destroy power stations and uproot bridges and railroads, reinforced by three others from a second cylinder as gas explosions continue. An unnamed Secretary of the Interior (Kenny Delma) advises the nation. (The secretary was originally intended to be a portrayal of Franklin D. Roosevelt, then President, but CBS insisted this detail, among others, be changed. Welles directed Delmar to nonetheless imitate Roosevelt's voice.)

A live connection is established to a field artillery battery. Its gun crew reports damaging one machine and a release of black smoke/poison gas before fading into the sound of coughing. The lead plane of a wing of bombers broadcasts its approach and remains on the air as their engines are burned by the Heat-Ray and the plane dives on the invaders. Radio operators go active and fall silent, most right after reporting the approach of the black smoke. The bombers destroyed one machine, but cylinders are falling all across the country.

This section ends famously: A news reporter, broadcasting from atop the CBS building, describes the Martian invasion of New York City - "five great machines" wading across the Hudson River, poison smoke drifting over the city, people running and diving into the East River "like rats", others "falling like flies" - until he, too, succumbs to the poison gas.

Finally, a despairing ham radio operator is heard calling, "2X2L calling CQ. Isn't there anyone on the air? Isn't there anyone on the air? Isn't there... anyone?"

After an intermission for station identification, in which announcer Dan Seymour mentions that the show is fiction, the last third is a monologue and dialogue. Welles returns as Professor Pierson, describing the aftermath of the attacks. The story ends, as does the novel, with the Martians falling victim to earthly pathogenic germs, to which they have no immunity.

After the play, Welles informally breaks character to remind listeners that the broadcast was a Halloween concoction, the equivalent, as he puts it, "of dressing up in a sheet, jumping out of a bush and saying, 'Boo!'". Popular mythology holds this "disclaimer" was hastily added to the broadcast at the insistence of CBS executives as they became aware of panic inspired by the program; in fact, it had appeared in Koch's working script for the play.

Some listeners heard only a portion of the broadcast and, in the atmosphere of tension and anxiety prior to World War II, took it to be an actual news broadcast. Newspapers reported that panic ensued, with people across the Northeastern United States and Canada fleeing their homes. Some people called CBS, newspapers or the police in confusion over the realism of the news bulletins. Future Tonight Show host Jack Paar had announcing duties that night for Cleveland CBS affiliate WGAR. As panicked listeners called the studio, Paar attempted to calm them on the phone and on air by saying, "The world is not coming to an end. Trust me. When have I ever lied to you?" When the listeners started charging Paar with "covering up the truth", he called WGAR's station manager for help. Oblivious to the

situation, the manager advised Paar to calm down, saying it was "all a tempest in a teapot."

In Concrete, Washington, phone lines and electricity went out due to a short-circuit at the Superior Portland Cement Company's substation. Residents were unable to call neighbors, family or friends to calm their fears. Reporters who heard of the coincidental blackout sent the story over the news-wire, and soon Concrete was known worldwide. Within one month, newspapers had published 12,500 articles about the broadcast and its impact. Adolf Hitler cited the panic, as Richard J. Hand writes, as "evidence of the decadence and corrupt condition of democracy."

Later studies indicate that many missed the repeated notices about the broadcast being fictional, partly because The Mercury Theatre on the Air, an unsponsored cultural program with a relatively small audience, ran at the same time as the NBC Red Network's popular Chase and Sanborn Hour. About 15 minutes into Chase and Sanborn, the first comic sketch ended and a musical number began, and many listeners began tuning around the dial at that point.

According to the American Experience program The Battle Over Citizen Kane, Welles knew the schedule of Chase and Sanborn and scheduled the first report from Grover's Mill at the 12-minute mark to heighten the audience's confusion. As a result, some listeners happened upon the CBS broadcast at the point the Martians emerge from their spacecraft. Because the broadcast was unsponsored, Welles and company could schedule breaks at will rather than structuring them around necessary advertisements. As a result, the only notices that the broadcast was fictional came at the start of the broadcast and about 40 and 55 minutes into it.

A study by the Radio Project discovered that some who panicked presumed that Germans, not Martians, had invaded. "The shadow of war was constantly in and on the air. People were on edge", wrote Welles biographer Frank Brady: For the entire month prior to The War of the Worlds, radio had kept the American public alert to the ominous happenings throughout the world. The Munich crisis was at its height.

Adolf Hitler, in his address to the annual Nazi party congress at Nuremberg in September, called for the autonomy of the Sudetenland, an area on the Czech border regions populated by three million Sudeten Germans, as they were called. Hitler ranted and lied over German radio ... for the first time in history, the public could tune into their radios every night and hear, boot-by-boot, accusation-by-accusation, threat-by-threat, the rumblings that seemed inevitably leading to a world war.

In the aftermath of the reported panic, CBS responded to public outcry by pointing to reminders throughout the broadcast that it was a performance. Welles and Mercury Theatre escaped punishment but not censure; CBS is believed to have had to promise never again to use "we interrupt this program" for dramatic effect. However, many radio commercials to this day do start with the phrase "We interrupt this program". The notoriety of the broadcast led the Campbell Soup Company to sponsor the show; The Mercury Theatre on the Air was renamed The Campbell Playhouse.

Many listeners sued the network for "mental anguish" and "personal injury". All suits were dismissed, except for a claim for a pair of black men's shoes (size 9B) by a Massachusetts

man, who spent his shoe money to escape the Martians. Welles insisted the man be paid.

A meeting between H.G. Wells and Orson Welles was broadcast on Radio KTSA San Antonio, a CBS affiliate, on October 28, 1940. Wells expressed a lack of understanding of the apparent panic and suggested it may have been only pretense, like the American version of Halloween, for fun. The two men and their radio interviewer joked with embarrassment about the matter.

On December 14, 1988, the original radio script for The War of the Worlds was sold at auction at Sotheby's in New York by author Howard Koch. The typescript bears the handwritten deletions and additions of Orson Welles and producer John Houseman. It was thought to have been the only copy of the script known to survive.

"The police came in after the broadcast and seized whatever copies they could find as evidence, I suppose", Koch told The New York Times. "There was a question that we had done something that might have criminal implications." Expected to bring between \$25,000 and \$35,000, the script sold for \$143,000 - setting a record for an article of entertainment memorabilia. "I had a private offer of \$60,000", Koch said after selling the 46-page script, which had been in his file cabinet for years. "They advised me to take the gamble. I guess it was the right gamble."

A second surviving War of the Worlds radio script - Welles's own directorial copy, given to an associate for safekeeping - was auctioned June 2, 1994, at Christie's in New York. Estimated to bring \$15,000 to \$20,000, the script was sold for \$32,200.

The successful bidder was filmmaker Steven Spielberg, whose collection also includes one of the three balsa "Rosebud" sleds from Citizen Kane. Spielberg adapted The War of the Worlds for a feature film in 2005.

The New Jersey Township of West Windsor, where Grover's Mill is located, commemorated the 50th anniversary of the broadcast in 1988 with four days of festivities including art and planetarium shows, a panel discussion, a parade, burial of a time capsule, a dinner dance, film festivals devoted to H. G. Wells and Orson Welles, and the dedication of a bronze monument to the fictional Martian landings. Howard Koch, an author of the original radio script, attended the 49th anniversary celebration as an honored quest.

On October 29, 2013, the PBS documentary series American Experience will examine The War of the Worlds broadcast on the eve of its 75th anniversary.

Research Note

Many of you may wonder why I included such detail concerning this historic 1938 War of the Worlds broadcast, the answer is because Dad says that Lum and Rue and the family were listening to this broadcast at the time of its production. I asked him, did anyone feel threatened or scared and he said everyone that it was amusing but didn't think anything about it. He said they did not take it seriously and dismissed it as folly and entertainment. After all, Grover Mills, New Jersey was a long way from Bourbon, Missouri. FTP

1938 Death of mother; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt age 44 years, 4 months, 16 days

Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Sunday, 17 April 1938. Due to the large crowd of family and friends, they decided to hold the funeral in her front yard. I have a picture of her lying in state in her coffin in her front yard as mourners passed by to offer their condolences.

1938 Chester Milford Skaggs (Son-in-law) and Mary Edith (PRATT) (Daughter) were married age 44 years, 6 months, 24 days

Chester Skaggs of Potosi, Washington County Missouri over the age of 21 and Mary Edith Pratt of Bourbon, Crawford County, Missouri over the age of 18 were married on Saturday, 25 June 1938 in Farmington, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States.

Research Note

Seventeen-year-old Mary Edith (**PRATT**) was her mother: Rue's right hand. Taking care of her brothers and little sister, was an ominous task for 18-year-old Edith. Not only was she required to attend Bourbon school on a daily basis but also the household duties associated with 4 brothers and 1 sister including her own homework left little time for a social life.

On the other hand, Chester Milford Skaggs, born in Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States 6 years her senior, a rugged handsome young man living in Potosi, Missouri working as a tiff miner seemed like a good opportunity to her to get away from the drudgeries of babysitting and a small town life.

Where or when they met is unclear but a romance blossomed and young Mary Edith and Chester discussed marriage. I imagine when they presented their proposal to Lum and Rue; the idea of marriage was not received well especially to an outsider from Saint Francois County.

Probably many arguments ensued with hurt feelings all the way around. If you entertain the idea that Edith was with child, then dismiss that idea since Edith could not have children and she was barren her whole life, hence they adopted.

The reason I feel that the marriage was not accepted with open arms is based on two observations. First, when Chester and Edith finally get married they do so in his birth county in Farmington, Saint Francois County, Missouri.

You might jump to the conclusion that they married at his parent's home and you would be wrong. Chester's parents; Winfield "Winey" Curtis and Mary Catherine (**HAGGARD**) Skaggs were living in Potosi and had been for the last 10 years. Maybe his parents, the Skaggs were not too keen on this marriage either.

Second, when I asked my father, when at the age of 11 years old did he and his parents attend Aunt Edith's wedding down in Farmington in 1938 he stated they did not.

Bourbon to Farmington was two counties away and a long distance and Lum had an old Ford pick-up truck by that time and if they wanted to go to the wedding they could have. On the other hand, if they did not want the neighbors to know their daughter was getting married then the marriage out of town may have been their idea. I don't think that was the scenario since after Chester and Edith were married they moved into the Johnson house with her parents as depicted in the 1940 census...the neighbors knew anyway.

So, it appears Chester and Edith without the support of either side of the family, eloped to Farmington and were married. I wonder why didn't Edith want her own pastor at her church in Bourbon marry them? Since both are gone at this point we really can't ask the questions. Also, from my experience, asking older family members about their actions that took place long ago will not yield the truth concerning those actions. I asked my birth mother why she and my father got a divorce when I was one year old and she said flippantly, "It was just one of those things".

Nevertheless, it appears once Chester and Edith were married the family decided to take them in and provided for them with a private apartment on the second floor of the Johnson house. Dad says that Edith and Chester lived on the second floor and the rest of the family, including Grandpa Johnson lived on the first floor.

Dad also said that Chester made good money and he says when Edith would cook Chester's dinner, they could smell the pork chops cooking upstairs and the smell was driving them crazy downstairs because it smelled so good. FTP

1939 Events in 1939

Edwin H. Armstrong invented the FM radio

Igor Sikorsky invented the helicopter

Song: Beer Barrel Polka Song: Body And Soul Song: God Bless America

Song: In The Mood

Song: Sunrise Serenade

William Gruber, a piano tuner from Portland, Oregon, invented the 3-D image viewer, View Master

Against The Storm 1939 to 1952 radio

The Dinah Shore Show 1939 to 1955 radio

The Right To Happiness 1939 to 1960 radio

I Love A Mystery Monday, 16 January 1939 to Friday, 26 December 1952 radio

Captain Midnight Monday, 6 February 1939 to Friday, 30 September 1949 radio

"Stagecoach" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 2 March 1939

Mr. District Attorney Monday, 3 April 1939 to Friday, 13 June 1952 radio

"Wuthering Heights" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 13 April 1939

The Aldrich Family Sunday, 2 July 1939 to Sunday, 19 April 1953 radio

Blondie Monday, 3 July 1939 to Thursday, 6 July 1950 radio

"Goodbye, Mr. Chips" was released to movie theaters Friday, 28 July 1939

Hobby Lobby Wednesday, 2 August 1939 to Saturday, 22 January 1949 radio "The Wizard of Oz" was released to movie theaters Friday, 25 August 1939

Germany invaded Poland, which began World War II in Europe Friday, 1 September 1939 to Sunday, 2 September 1945

Both Britain and France declared war on Germany Sunday, 3 September 1939

Hilltop House Thursday, 21 September 1939 to Thursday, 28 October 1954 radio

"Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 19 October 1939

"Gone With the Wind" was released to movie theaters Friday, 15 December 1939

1939 Son; Carl Benjamin Pratt joins the Navy

Until Naval records are made available online I don't know when Uncle Carl enlisted in the Navy. Dad says Carl enlisted in 1939 and he was the first of Lum's sons to do so.

1939 Columbus Benjamin Pratt bought life insurance on sons age 45 years, 8 months, 13 days

Columbus B. Pratt bought a life insurance policy on Roy Lee Pratt, Floyd T. Pratt, and James H. Pratt on Monday, 14 August 1939 from the Central Mutual Insurance Co.

Research Note

I can't help but believe that buying life insurance on his sons was his wife; Rue's idea. I don't know if it was the talk in the house about the war in Europe or something else. It seems strange to me that the policy only covers some of the boys and it does not cover all the boys. Left out is oldest son; Carl Benjamin Pratt, who was already in the Navy at this time and the two daughters.

1939 Death of daughter; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) age 46 years, 8 days
Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) died at McFarland Hospital, Highway 63 & Pine Street,
Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 9 December 1939.

Research Note

According to her death certificate, 10-year-old Nadine died of influenzas non-specific meningitis contributory. Even though she was under Hospital care, she had been treated since the 28th of November and she died on the 9th of December. She was buried in the Bourbon Cemetery.

1939-1942 Various Occupations

Between 1939-1942 Columbus B. Pratt was an entrepreneur as a stonemason around the Crawford, Franklin and Washington County areas. He kept good records of accounts from various work jobs and wages earned. I have included copies of these records in his biography "The Pratt Chronicles Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt" © 2013 by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1940 Events of 1940

Song: Beat Me, Daddy, Eight To The Bar

Song: San Antonio Rose

Song: When You Wish Upon A Star

Song: You Are My Sunshine

Eleanor Abbott of San Diego, California invented the Candyland game while she was recuperating from polio in the 1940s.

Hermit's Cave 1940 to 1944 radio

Portia Faces Life 1940 to 1951 radio

Bell Telephone Hour 1940 to 1958 radio

Gene Autry's Melody Ranch Thursday, 4 January 1940 to Sunday, 13 May 1956 radio

"His Girl Friday" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 11 January 1940

"Pinocchio" was released to movie theaters Friday, 9 February 1940

The Adventures of Superman Monday, 12 February 1940 to Thursday, 1 March 1951 radio

"The Grapes of Wrath" was released to movie theaters Friday, 15 March 1940

"Rebecca" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 28 March 1940

The British completed the evacuation of over 300,000 soldiers from Dunkirk, France

Tuesday, 4 June 1940

France and Germany signed an armistice, dictated by Germany, which took France out of the war Saturday, 22 June 1940

Abbott & Costello Wednesday, 3 July 1940 to Thursday, 9 June 1949 radio Suspense Monday, 22 July 1940 to Sunday, 30 September 1962 radio Duffy's Tavern Monday, 29 July 1940 to Friday, 28 December 1951 radio "The Westerner" was released to movie theaters Friday, 20 September 1940 "The Great Dictator" was released to movie theaters Tuesday, 15 October 1940 "Fantasia" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 13 November 1940 "The Philadelphia Story" was released to movie theaters Sunday, 1 December 1940 "Kitty Foyle: The Natural History of a Woman" was released to movie theaters Friday, 27 December 1940

1940 Federal Census age 46 years, 4 months, 14 days

Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 4b, 15 April 1940, line 49, house 79

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 46; Rue wife w f 46; Roy son w m 15; Floyd son w m 13; James son w m 9; JOHNSON, James M. father-in-law w m 85, Lee E. Sr. brother-in-law w m 52; Lee E. Jr. son of brother-in-law w m 2; (house 80) SKAGGS, Chester head w m 25, Mary Edith wife w f 20

[All born in Missouri except Lee Jr. born in Wyoming. They were all living in the Johnson House as of 1 April 1935 except Chester was living in Potosi, Missouri working as a Tiff miner. This was before the married Mary Edith (**PRATT**) in 1938. Columbus worked as a laborer doing road improvements, Lee Sr., worked as an assistant cashier in a bank, Chester worked as truck driver for a feed store. This was for Hartung Feed in Bourbon; Dad says Uncle Chester taught him how to drive in that old feed truck. Chester would slide over by the door and Dad would get behind the wheel and that's how he learned to drive. Chester and Edith lived upstairs in the house and had separate cooking facilities.]

Research Note

James Millard Johnson Sr. owned the home at Walnut and Blue Springs Road. Even though Columbus is shown in the 1940 census as head of the house, it was actually owned by his father-in-law; James Millard Johnson Sr. As explained above, Chester and Edith lived upstairs and had separate cooking facilities and would cook great meals that other members of the house would smell and envy. Chester left the tiff-mining job and now drives a truck for the Hartung feed store in Bourbon.

1941 Events of 1941

An outbreak of rubella hit Australia

Song: Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy

Song: Chattanooga Choo-Choo

Song: Deep In The Heart Of Texas

Song: Orange Blossoms Special

Song: We Did It Before (And We Can Do It Again)

Ethan Allen's All-Star Baseball game was invented

The Adventures of The Thin Man 1941 to 1950 radio

The Inner Sanctum (The Creaking Door) Tuesday, 7 January 1941 to Sunday, 5 October 1952 radio

Author's Playhouse Wednesday, 5 March 1941 to Monday, 28 May 1945 radio

"The Great Lie" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 12 April 1941
The Life of Riley Saturday, 12 April 1941 to Friday, 29 June 1951 radio
Bulldog Drummond Sunday, 13 April 1941 to Sunday, 28 March 1954 radio
"Citizen Kane" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 1 May 1941
Germany invaded the Soviet Union Sunday, 22 June 1941
A Date With Judy Tuesday, 24 June 1941 to Thursday, 20 April 1950 radio
The Great Gildersleeve Sunday, 31 August 1941 to Thursday, 21 March 1957 radio
"Sergeant York" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 27 September 1941
The Red Skelton Show Tuesday, 7 October 1941 to Tuesday, 26 May 1953 radio
"The Maltese Falcon" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 18 October 1941
"How Green Was My Valley" was released to movie theaters Tuesday, 28 October 1941
"Suspicion" was released to movie theaters Friday, 14 November 1941

Japan Attacked Pearl Harbor Sunday, 7 December 1941
The United States declared war on Japan Monday, 8 December 1941
Germany and Italy declared war on the United States Thursday, 11 December 1941

Research Note

With the entrance of the United States into World War II, thousands of men and women heeded the call to serve their country in military service. With son; Carl already in the Navy, Lum's son Roy also enlisted in the Navy. Floyd was drafted in 1945 in the Army and youngest boy; James enlisted in the Navy and fought in Korea in the 1950's.

1941 Death of father-in-law; Judge James Millard Johnson Sr. age 47 years, 5 months, 20 days

Judge James Millard Johnson Sr. died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 21 May 1941.

Research Note

Judge James Millard Johnson Sr. is a descendant of Benjamin and Amelia (_____) Johnson from Rowan County, North Carolina. Benjamin and Amelia left Iredell County, North Carolina for Franklin County, Missouri in 1823 and began to purchase property and entrench themselves into the Franklin County community.

James' father; Martin accompanied his parents to Franklin County and learned the profession of farming and cattle ranching.

Judge Johnson was born near Moselle, Central Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States and was educated in the finest schools and was taught in all manners of business. His father; Martin dying at an early age, left James' mother; Comfort (**OSBORN**) Drace Johnson, a woman of refined manners and trained in all the graces an educated culture had to offer, raised James to adulthood until her death in 1877.

In 1884, James began courting another well-educated refined lady of Bourbon; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (**BARTON**). They were married at her father's home in Bourbon. It was in 1892 that James built what became the Johnson house on the hill at Walnut Street and Blue Springs Road. His in-laws, William and Harriet (**KING**) Barton lived down the hill from the house in the back.

James farmed and acquired enough financial backing to open a mercantile store in Bourbon

and he bought a partnership in the Bourbon Bank. Earning a reputation as an honest, fair, upright man and pillar of the community, James Johnson was appointed a Circuit Court Judge of Crawford County. Losing his wife; Dosia and mother of his seven children to epilepsy in 1913, James, 5 years later, married widow Mrs. Mary Louvincy Emily (**KING**) Chappell.

Emily (**KING**) daughter of Senator Daniel Jacob "Jake" and Harriet E. (**FISHER**) King of Mountain View Town in Blue Mountain Twp, Stone County, Arkansas married John Franklin "Frank" Chappell and after 5 children Frank died in 1909. Emily ran a motel and rooming house in Mountain Home and shortly after the death of her husband, she sold her property and moved to Bourbon, Missouri where she bought the Bourbon Hotel down the street from future husband; Judge James Millard Johnson's bank.

After their marriage, Emily moved in with Judge Johnson in his home on Walnut Street. Columbus Pratt's family moved into William and Harriet (**KING**) Barton's home down the hill from the Johnson home. After the death of William and Harriet in 1922-1920, their son; Zechariah Alonzo "Lon" Barton inherited the Barton home and rented the property to the Pratts.

Dad remembers as a young boy taking the \$6 a month down to Lon Barton's house to pay the rent.

With the death of James Millard Johnson, the Pratts not only lost a grandfather and father-inlaw; but they lost a good and dear friend to the family and Crawford County lost a great leader and benefactor to the community. FTP

1941 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Lafayette & Jefferson at Saint Louis, Missouri.

Research Note

Circa 1941, Lum and family decided to move into Saint Louis to take advantage of employment opportunities. With the declaration of war, the whole country needed support services of all kinds. Manufacturers, plants and industrial companies retooled their machinery for the war effort.

My Grandmother and Dorothy's mother; Anna (**KIER**) Bednarek worked at The St. Louis Army Ammunition Plant on Goodfellow Boulevard in St. Louis making bullets. Consequently, workers were needed for the war effort in all the major cities...even women.

Dad says after a few months, Lum and Rue did not like city life and decided to move back to Bourbon with his little brother Jim. However at the age of 14, my Dad, Floyd Theodore Pratt decided to stay in Saint Louis and work and he says he paid \$10 a month to Uncle Henry Arthur "Art" & Aunt Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt for room & board in 1942. He said they lived in a flat on Texas Avenue in Saint Louis. (See Floyd's C2G Profile of details. Yes, Art was Hazel's 6th husband.)

1942 Events in 1942

Detailed model airplanes began to be mass-produced L. A. Skinner C. N. Hickman invented the bazooka Rocket Gun

Hartley, Anglo-Iranian, Siemens in Operation Pluto invented the undersea oil pipeline

Song: Don't Sit Under The Apple Tree

Song: Jingle Jangle Jingle Song: That Old Black Magic Song: White Christmas

Little Golden Books were first introduced

The Frank Sinatra Show 1942 to 1958 radio

"Johnny Eager" was released to movie theaters January 1942

The Whistler Saturday, 3 January 1942 to Thursday, 22 September 1955 radio

Red Ryder Tuesday, 3 February 1942 to Thursday, 23 December 1948 radio

Hop Harrigan Sunday, 8 February 1942 to Sunday, 13 August 1950 radio

"To Be or Not to Be" was released to movie theaters Friday, 6 March 1942

The Bataan Death March began in Mariveles in the Philippines Friday, 10 April 1942

Can You Top This? Tuesday, 21 April 1942 to Friday, 14 May 1954 radio "Mrs. Miniver" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 4 June 1942

The Battle of Midway turned the tide of the war in the Pacific Thursday, 4 June 1942

"Yankee Doodle Dandy" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 6 June 1942

Counterspy Monday, 8 June 1942 to Monday, 21 December 1953 radio

"Bambi" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 13 August 1942

Mayor of the Town Sunday, 6 September 1942 to Sunday, 7 July 1946 radio

Radio Reader's Digest Sunday, 13 September 1942 to Thursday, 3 June 1948 radio

"Casablanca" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 26 November 1942

The Adventures of Mr. and Mrs. North Wednesday, 30 December 1942 to Monday, 18 April 1955 radio

1942 Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt was issued a duplicate Selective Service Registration Card age 48 years, 4 months, 26 days

Columbus B. Pratt was issued a duplicate selective service registration card in Bourbon, Missouri on Monday, 27 April 1942.

1942 Columbus Pratt was employed by Allied Contracting Company age 48 years, 5 months, 10 days

Columbus Pratt earned \$21.60 from the Allied Contracting Company and received a pay stub on Monday, 11 May 1942.

1943 Events in 1943

Jacques Cousteau and Emile Gagnan invented the aqualung

Song: Hey, Good-Looking

Song: I'll Be Home For Christmas

Song: Mairsy Doats

Song: Oh, What A Beautiful Morning

Two researchers looking for a wartime replacement for rubber discovered "Silly Putty" independently: James Wright at General Electric and Earl Warrick at Dow Corning

Chutes and Ladders was published in the U.S. and it was based upon the old game called Snakes and Ladders which originated in India

The Slinky was developed by a navy engineer, Richard James, while he was seeking a device to ease rough sailing on battleships

Adventures of Nero Wolfe 1943 to 1951 radio

"Shadow of a Doubt" was released to movie theaters Tuesday, 12 January 1943

200,000 German soldiers surrendered at Stalingrad Tuesday, 2 February 1943 People are Funny Saturday, 3 April 1943 to Friday, 10 June 1960 radio "The More the Merrier" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 7 April 1943 The Falcon Saturday, 10 April 1943 to Saturday, 27 November 1954 radio Nick Carter, Master Detective Sunday, 11 April 1943 to Sunday, 25 September 1955 radio Philo Vance, Detective Thursday, 29 April 1943 to Tuesday, 4 July 1950 radio Archie Andrews Monday, 31 May 1943 to Saturday, 12 September 1953 radio Judy Canova Show Tuesday, 6 July 1943 to Thursday, 28 May 1953 radio "For Whom the Bell Tolls" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 14 July 1943 Casey, Crime Photographer Wednesday, 21 July 1943 to Friday, 22 April 1955 radio Japan abandons the Aleutian Islands Saturday, 21 August 1943 "Watch on the Rhine" was released to movie theaters Friday, 27 August 1943 Molle' Mystery Theatre Tuesday, 7 September 1943 to Friday, 25 June 1948 radio It Pays to be Ignorant Monday, 4 October 1943 to Sunday, 13 January 1952 radio Truth or Consequences Monday, 1 November 1943 to Tuesday, 29 July 1952 radio The Mysterious Traveler Sunday, 5 December 1943 to Tuesday, 16 September 1952 radio Theater Guild on the Air Monday, 6 December 1943 to Sunday, 7 June 1953 radio "The Song of Bernadette" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 25 December 1943

1943 Roy Lee Pratt (Son) and Mary Lou (STEIDEL) Drinkard (Daughter-in-law) were married age 49 years, 1 month, 22 days

Roy Pratt and Mrs. Mary Lou (**STEIDEL**) Drinkard were married 23 January 1943 in Franklin, Missouri, United States. No Children.

1943-1945 Divorce of Roy Lee Pratt and Mary Lou (STEIDEL) Drinkard Pratt Roy Pratt and Mary Lou (STEIDEL) Drinkard Pratt were divorced 1943-1945 in Union, Union Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States.

1944 Events in 1944

The digital computer was invented

Deutsch Elliot Evans invented the electron spectrometer

Song: Don't Fence Me In Song: Sentimental Journey Song: This Land Is Your Land

Song: Would You Like To Swing On A Star?

"Going My Way" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 3 May 1944

"Gaslight" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 4 May 1944

D-Day when Allied forces invaded Normandy Tuesday, 6 June 1944

Boston Blackie Friday, 23 June 1944 to Wednesday, 25 October 1950 radio

Smilin' Ed and His Buster Brown Gang Saturday, 2 September 1944 to Saturday, 11 April 1953 radio

"Double Indemnity" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 6 September 1944

"None But the Lonely Heart" was released to movie theaters Friday, 22 September 1944

"Arsenic and Old Lace" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 23 September 1944

The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet Sunday, 8 October 1944 to Friday, 18 June 1954 radio

"Laura" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 11 October 1944

The Roy Rogers Show Tuesday, 21 November 1944 to Thursday, 21 July 1955 radio FBI In Peace and War Saturday, 25 November 1944 to Sunday, 2 November 1958 radio

The Battle of the Bulge began Saturday, 16 December 1944 and would last until 25 Jan

1945

1944 Columbus B. Pratt received W-2 Tax Form

Lum Pratt received a W-2 form from Gus Hartung dba Hartung Transportation Company in Bourbon, Missouri, for \$35.00.

1945 Events of 1945

The nuclear weapons were invented using chain reaction theory

Song: He's Got The Whole World In His Hands

Song: It's A Grand Night For Singing

Song: Let It Snow!

Queen for a Day 1945 to 1957 radio

Adventures of Rocky Jordan Monday, 8 January 1945 to Friday, 26 June 1953 radio

"National Velvet" was released to movie theaters Friday, 26 January 1945

Marines landed on Iwo Jima. After long battle, the traditional Japanese island fell the U.S Monday, 19 February 1945

"A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 28 February 1945

This is Your FBI Friday, 6 April 1945 to Friday, 30 January 1953 radio

Harry Truman became the 33rd President of the United States Thursday, 12 April 1945

Germany surrendered unconditionally (VE-Day) Tuesday, 8 May 1945

The Beulah Show Monday, 2 July 1945 to Friday, 2 April 1954 radio

The United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan Monday, 6 August 1945 The Soviet Union declared war on Japan Wednesday, 8 August 1945

The United States dropped an atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan Thursday, 9 August 1945

World War II ended when Japan laid down her arms and surrendered to the United States Tuesday, 14 August 1945

The official Japanese surrender ceremony in Tokyo Bay Sunday, 2 September 1945

House of Mystery Saturday, 15 September 1945 to Sunday, 25 December 1949 radio Harvest of Stars Sunday, 7 October 1945 to Sunday, 17 September 1950 radio

"Mildred Pierce" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 20 October 1945

The United Nations was established Wednesday, 24 October 1945

"The Lost Weekend" was released to movie theaters Friday, 16 November 1945

"The Bells of St. Mary's" was released to movie theaters Friday, 7 December 1945

1945 Carl Benjamin Pratt (Son) and Mary Theresa (BRESCIA) Caro (Daughter-in-law) were married age 51 years, 1 month, 2 days

Carl B. Pratt and Mary F. Caro were married in Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, United States on 3 January 1945.

Research Note

Uncle Carl was either on leave from the Navy or had been discharged when he was in Baltimore, Maryland in 1945. He met and began a courtship with a beautiful 23-year-old girl, named Mary Theresa (**BRESCIA**) Caro.

Mary had been previously married circa 1940-1945 to Peter Caro, which ended in a divorce, no children.

Mary is the daughter of James Vincenzo "Vincent" and Maria Teresa Concetta (**RIMOLA**) Brescia from Catanzaro, Calabria Region, Italy. Devoted Catholics, James and Maria were not pleased with their daughter's divorce, which was contrary to their Catholic beliefs.

All through her adult life, Aunt Mary never talked about her first marriage and was always made to feel ashamed because of the divorce. No one else in Uncle Carl's family really cared, but nevertheless Aunt Mary carried that stigmatism with her, her whole life and I felt she was unjustly persecuted because of the divorce.

Aunt Mary was a wonderful woman and Uncle Carl was lucky to have such a loving and devoted partner. After, their marriage, Uncle Carl brought his new bride home to meet his parents. According to Dad, some of the Pratt family members were not too keen on a Catholic bride in the family since most of Pratts were Pentecostal and eventually became Assembly of God churchgoers.

The scriptures are very clear where the Lord states that one should marry within their tribe, clan and race and share a common background with the same goals and aspirations. However, when did mankind ever obey their Heavenly Father and take his advice?

In order for you to understand what Carl and Mary were up against, let me explain the religious atmosphere in a small rural American town. Most people went to church because their parents took them to church when they were children. These families would build long lasting friendships and acquaintances even to the extent of doing business with the people you went to church with.

As the small town grew, new ideas and different peoples from strange cultures began to move into the community. Instead of a Baptist Church, now there was a Methodist Church, and then a Lutheran Church, then a Catholic Church and as these churches moved into the community and started to establish themselves, families based on ignorance, taught their children the evils of those varying churches.

This built a prejudice against each religion and this intolerance had its roots in Lucifer's philosophy. From the beginning of time, Lucifer has always known that to conquer the saints, one much separate and divide.

Bourbon was no exception. The competition between the churches and the preachers were so severe as to turn the community into a war zone. I remember reading in Bourbon newspapers that in the early 1900's, one group of citizens would plot and burn down another church and members of opposing churches reciprocated those acts of violence.

The seeds of religious prejudice were planted in the minds of the children at an early age and these religious "clicks" were not very kind to others with opposing viewpoints.

This lack of tolerance was standard in a small community and unfortunately this was the prevalent attitude that Carl and Mary found when he went home to introduce his bride.

Millions of young men and woman who had gone away to war, had seen events and horrors coupled with beautiful places, meeting a variety of peoples and cultures that removed any and all prejudices they may have harbored before the war. Their new attitude was live and

let live and to each his own.

This open-minded freshness, carried over not only to the choices of their marriage partners but to the very occupations they had been trained to do prior to the war and now with an expansion of experiences, duties and knowledge, they didn't want to work at the same jobs they had before the war.

Young men did not go home and take over the family business; especially after they had been trained and educated to do more complex and financially rewarding professions.

Dad says when he returned from the war, he helped his Dad build a barn out of local limestone rock. Dad had to carry a large pallet of rocks on his shoulder up a ladder onto the roof of a barn, in the heat of the summer and said to himself, there's got to be a better way to earn a living.

This was the case with each of Lum and Rue's children who came back from the war. None of the boys wanted a backbreaking career such as stone masonry and all chose to engage in less demanding, hard labor and each one prospered in their own professions.

However, the prejudices and close-minded attitudes that prevailed in small communities could not be avoided and these attitudes created hardship and hurt feelings not only among families but among the community members.

Not everyone in the Pratt family found fault with Carl's new bride and offered her unconditional Christian love as depicted in the scriptures. Rue and the Skaggs family attended the Pentecostal Church as well as aunts, uncles and friends. However, Lum never found much value in church and did not attend with his family. It wasn't until near his death he professed a belief in the Savior.

The Savior is not interested in deathbed confessions, but is more interested in how you lived his teachings during your life. He realizes that all people will sin, and through the atonement he has taken care of that penalty, however, living a Christian life on a daily basis is most important. He wants each and every one of us to be tested and challenged throughout our lives to see if we will choose the right or the easy path. *Living* the gospel principles is more important...not professing them.

The first step to recognizing the correct path is to become familiar with the scriptures and teachings of the gospel. This is why he instructs parents to attend church with their children.

Without knowing the rules or gospel principles, how can you learn how to be a good example and help protect your family from making poor choices? And if you choose to learn and teach others the gospel, then the Lord blesses you and your family, even if you fail at living up to these principles... after repentance, he still rewards you for trying.

But, the atmosphere concerning Carl and Mary when he returned home was very uncomfortable and I don't know what was said or who said it, but they moved to Saint Louis and raised their family far from Bourbon.

I remember when attending a family reunion in Bourbon when I was a child, the buzz was

always..."Are Carl and Mary coming to the family reunion?" Sometimes they came and sometimes they did not. Hurtful, unkind words had damaged their relationship with his side of the family and these damaged feelings created distant aloof associations lasting until their death.

Individually, all were welcomed at Uncle Carl and Aunt Mary's home but they avoided the family reunions and other get-togethers.

However, when I reached adulthood, I found Uncle Carl and Aunt Mary wonderful people and I remember fellowshipping with their son; Johnny who played the saxophone and was in his high school's orchestra school band that played for my 1967 Senior Prom at Pattonville High School in Saint Ann, Missouri.

I always felt it foolish and hypocritical that others judged others base on their religious affiliation. Too many fights, misunderstandings, disagreements have taken place within families and countries because someone doesn't agree with someone else's religious affiliations.

The scriptures are very clear; we will be judged on how each of us lived according to the scriptures we knew and understood regardless of what church we belonged to. How sad that all those years of love and fellowship with family members were lost due to prejudices and misunderstandings.

Nevertheless, Uncle Carl and Aunt Edith were wonderful people and raised great children and if their religion made them better people and closer to their Heavenly Father then that is all the Lord can ask and as for me...I miss them dearly. FTP

1946 Events of 1946

Percy Spencer invented the microwave oven

Song: .Zip-a-Dee-Do--Dah

Song: Doin' What Comes Natur'lly

Song: Route 66

Tonka Trucks were invented

The Fat Man Monday, 21 January 1946 to Wednesday, 26 September 1951 radio The "Cold War" began when Winston Churchill proclaimed, "an iron curtain has swept across the continent." Tuesday, 5 March 1946

"To Each His Own" was released to movie theaters Tuesday, 12 March 1946
Favorite Story Tuesday, 25 June 1946 to Tuesday, 19 April 1949 radio
Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts Monday, 8 July 1946 to Sunday, 30 April 1972 radio
The Adventures of Sam Spade Friday, 12 July 1946 to Friday, 27 April 1951 radio
"The Big Sleep" was released to movie theaters Saturday, 31 August 1946
"Notorious" was released to movie theaters Friday, 6 September 1946
The Bickersons Sunday, 8 September 1946 to Tuesday, 28 August 1951 radio
Murder at Midnight Monday, 16 September 1946 to Monday, 8 September 1947 radio
The Phil Harris - Alice Fay Show Sunday, 29 September 1946 to Friday, 18 June 1954 radio
Philco Radio Time with Bing Crosby Wednesday, 16 October 1946 to Wednesday, 1 June

"The Razor's Edge" was released to movie theaters Tuesday, 19 November 1946
"The Best Years of Our Lives" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 21 November

1946

Pat Novak for Hire Sunday, 24 November 1946 to Saturday, 25 June 1949 radio "It's a Wonderful Life" was released to movie theaters Friday, 20 December 1946

1946-1947 Roy Lee Pratt (Son) and Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson (Daughter-in-law) were married age 53 years to about 54 years

Roy Pratt and Mrs. Gladys (**EATON**) Anderson were married 1946-1947 in Desloge, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States. [Needs verification]

1946 Columbus B. Pratt registered his 1938 Ford Truck

C. B. Pratt registered a 1938 Ford Truck Stake body in Bourbon, Missouri on 11 May 1946.

1946 Columbus B. Pratt renewed his driver's license

C. B. Pratt renewed his driver's license for 25 cents in Bourbon, Missouri on 18 July 1946.

1947 Events in 1947

The transistor was invented by William Shockley, Walter Brattain, John Bardeen

Song: Papa, Won't You Dance With Me?

Song: I'm Looking Over A Four-Leaf Clover

Anne Wood invented "Teletubbies"

The board game, Clue., was introduced by Parker Brothers

Lassie 1947 to 1950 radio

National Farm and Home Hour Saturday, 25 January 1947 to Saturday, 7 March 1959 radio

Family Theater Thursday, 13 February 1947 to Wednesday, 7 August 1957 radio

The Milton Berle Show Tuesday, 11 March 1947 to Wednesday, 15 June 1949 radio

"The Farmer's Daughter" was released to movie theaters Wednesday, 26 March 1947

The Big Story Wednesday, 2 April 1947 to Wednesday, 16 March 1955 radio

The Man Called X Thursday, 3 April 1947 to Tuesday, 27 May 1952 radio

My Friend Irma Friday, 11 April 1947 to Tuesday, 24 August 1954 radio

Calling All Detectives Tuesday, 15 April 1947 to Friday, 27 May 1949 radio

"Miracle on 34th Street" was released to movie theaters Friday, 2 May 1947

"Duel in the Sun" was released to movie theaters Thursday, 8 May 1947

The Adventures of Philip Marlowe Tuesday, 17 June 1947 to Saturday, 15 September 1951

Mr. President Wednesday, 25 June 1947 to Tuesday, 22 September 1953 radio

You Are There Monday, 7 July 1947 to Sunday, 9 July 1950 radio

Escape Monday, 7 July 1947 to Saturday, 25 September 1954 radio

1947 Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt (Son) and Delores "Do" Virginia (BROWN) (Daughter-in-law) were married Age 53 years, 3 months

Floyd Theodore Pratt and Delores Brown were married in Saint Clair, Franklin, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 1 March 1947. (my parents)

Research Note

Shortly after his discharge from the Army in 1946, at the reckless age of 19, like most returned war heroes, Floyd was looking for fun and companionship. Instead of satisfying this need for companionship by seeking a suitable potential wife in church...as his mother had taught him, he went were the "action" was...to the bars, taverns and nightclubs.

In addition to Floyd's formal 8th grade education, the Army and the war were responsible

for his worldly education and experience while in the service. Neither an avid book reader nor one to seek a higher education, but young and wanting fun and excitement he went where the action was. Any and all church instructions were lost on him during the war and his interest could not be found in churches.

At one of these bars, he met this beautiful, free spirited fun loving talented singer Delores Virginia (**BROWN**). Delores, a single girl of 22, with no serious goals or commitments, and possessing a vivacious personality, also found solitude in the bar scene where she could exercise her singing talent and find acceptance from fellow patrons.

The attraction between these two was magnetic. Floyd a slender, handsome decorated soldier and Delores a beautiful, fun loving, high spirited beauty who both held steady jobs and with this combination of chemistry and magnetism, led to an interest, courtship and an eventual marriage following the natural progression of a loving relationship. FTP

1947 Columbus B. Pratt bought a hunting permit

C. B. Pratt was issued a Hunting, Trapping, and Fishing permit for \$2.15 by the State of Missouri on 5 May 1947. He was living in Bourbon, MO., 53 years of age, Brown hair, Blue eyes, 5' 10" tall, weight 190 lbs.

Research Note

Columbus' Grandfather Alexander R. Pratt was 7 years old when his parents; Henry and Nancy (**CARTER**) Pratt were forced by the United States Government on the infamous "Trail of Tears" in 1838. Due to Henry's Cherokee heritage, they were forced by bayonet to leave their home in Monroe County, Tennessee, in the heat of the summer and cold of the winter until the Pratts "jumped" the trail in Crawford County, Missouri in March of 1839.

Finding refuse in the hills of Crawford County, they eventually settled near Richwoods Township in Washington County, Missouri by the 1840 census.

The Pratts were hunters and woodsmen and were able to produce a good living in spite of the anti-native laws the US government passed. Alexander taught his sons to make railroad ties and staves for the mining companies.

Also, avid hunters, they were able to supply their families and others with game and fish from the abundant rivers and creeks that populated Washington and Crawford Counties of Missouri.

Alexander's son; Henry Winslow Pratt also taught his sons these skills to help them support their families.

Winslow's son; Columbus likewise, taught his sons these skills and loved the solitude of camping and hunting as well as fishing on the Meramec River.

Dad says that his Dad would go down to the river and spend a few days alone enjoying the fishing and hunting and probably the peace and quiet. This is why Grandpa Lum owned fishing and hunting licenses. FTP

1947 Death of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt died at the Johnson House in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 27 July 1947.

[1] Death Certificate: Missouri State Board of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Standard Certificate of Death, State File #27188

Columbus B. Pratt was born November 1, 1893 in Crawford County, Missouri to Windsol (sic) Pratt unknown birthplace and Lara Missey unknown birthplace. His usual residence was Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri and his occupation was a stone mason. He was 53 years, 8 months and 1 day old when he died on July 27, 1947 at his home in Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri. He was buried at the New Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri on July 29, 1947 and the informant was Mrs. Rue Pratt of Bourbon, Missouri.

[2] Headstone states he died July 27, 1947.

Research Note

On January 25, 1947 and until his death, Dr. Ronald Scott D.O. of Bourbon began treating Columbus Pratt for chest pains. He died from a Myocardial infarction (MI) or acute myocardial infarction (AMI), commonly known as a heart attack. A Heart Attack results from the partial interruption of blood supply to a part of the heart muscle, causing the heart cells to be damaged or die. This is most commonly due to occlusion (blockage) of a coronary artery following the rupture of a vulnerable atherosclerotic plaque, which is an unstable collection of cholesterol and fatty acids and white blood cells in the wall of an artery. The resulting ischemia (restriction in blood supply) and ensuing oxygen shortage, if left untreated for a sufficient period of time, can cause damage or death (infarction of heart muscle tissue (myocardium).

1947 Burial of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States Pratt, Columbus B. November 1, 1893 - July 27, 1947 Horseshoer WWI Pratt, Rue F. January 19, 1894 - June 26, 1983 [Buried next to their daughter Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**). Picture of headstone in family file.]

1947 U.S., Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925-1963

Name: Columbus B Pratt Birth Date: 1 Nov 1893 Death Date: 27 Jul 1947 Cemetery: New Bourbon Cemetery Location: Bourbon, Missouri

Research Note

Widow Rue Pratt filled out an application for a headstone for Columbus B. Pratt with the assistance of son-in-law; Chester Skaggs.

1947 Obituary of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

My father, Floyd Theodore Pratt carried his father's...Columbus Pratt's obituary around with him in his wallet for years. Recently he gave me the obituary, which is torn, bent, missing information and is in pretty poor shape. I will try to extrapolate the information for you.

[Newspaper Unknown-Probably Bourbon Beacon?] [as it is recorded]

[Missing date, heading, title, name] "Rue?? Bourbon, Missouri. To???? were born six children of which one, Nadine, had preceded him in death at the age of 10 years, December 9, 1937. He leaves to mourn his death his beloved wife, one daughter, Edith

Skaggs of Bourbon, four sons, Carl, Ray, and Floyd of St. Louis, and Jim of Bourbon, one sister, Ruth Graddy of Bourbon, four brothers, Jess and Arthur of St. Louis, Virgil of Bourbon and Orville of Kansas City; one sister, Mary and one brother, Alfred had preceded him in death. Three daughters-in-law, one son-in-law, two grand children, three uncles and a host of other relatives and friends. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in World War 1, July 21, 1917, and served until February 10, 1919.

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the kindness and sympathy shown us in the death of our dear husband and father. Especially thanks to those who sent floral wreaths and to the Neighbors Club and neighbors who lent a helping hand, also the pall bearers and the Shanklin and Adams funeral home, and [missing] Ivie for his words of comfort. Rue Pratt and Family"

The following is my example of the correct way in which to submit an obituary...

The Obituary of Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt 2013

"Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt known by family and friends as Lum Pratt died on Sunday, July 27, 1947 at his home at the old Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford County, Missouri. Lum had suffered from heart trouble for years.

Lum was born on 1 December 1893 at the old Pratt homestead in Hamilton Hollow in Johnson Township in Washington County, Missouri to Henry Winslow and Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt whom are both deceased and buried in the Harrison Cemetery at Vilander.

On 12 April 1919, at the Bourbon Methodist Church, Lum was united in marriage to Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) his spouse of 28 years who survives, daughter of Judge James Millard and Mary Jane Theodosia (**BARTON**) Johnson. The Johnsons are buried in the Bourbon Cemetery.

Lum was a renowned stonemason and many of his creations, chimneys, retaining walls and barns in the Crawford County community are still standing today and will for many years as a testimony to his skilled craftsmanship.

Lum served in the U.S. Army in World War 1 as a horseshoer enlisting on July 21, 1917 and honorably discharged 1 February 10, 1919. Lum loved to hunt and fish and sometimes drove a truck for various concerns including Gus Hartung of Hartung Transportation Company in Bourbon, Missouri.

Lum and Rue were blessed with 6 children; [1] Mary Edith married Chester Milford Skaggs residing in Bourbon; [2] Carl Benjamin married Mary (BRESCIA) Caro Pratt residing in St. Louis, [3] Roy Lee married Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson Pratt also residing in St. Louis, [4] Floyd Theodore "Ted" married Delores Virginia (BROWN) Pratt residing in St. Louis, [5] Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) born 5 April 1929 in Bourbon and died on 9 December 1939. [6] James "Jim" Henry married Evellin Juanita (MILLER) living in Bourbon.

Also, Lum's siblings; [1] Jesse "Jess" Lee married Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) Pratt residing in St. Louis, [2] Albert "Al" Paris Pratt born 28 June 1897 died 11 August 1936 in St. Louis married Mary (**SHEPARD**), [3] Virgil Ranson married Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt residing in Bourbon, [4] Henry Arthur "Art" married Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Pratt residing in St. Louis, [5] Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) married Rufus Allen Graddy residing in Bourbon, [6] Mary Center (**PRATT**) born 12 June 1907 died 7 October 1918 in Bourbon, [7] Orville Hayes married Mary Olive (**MALLOW**) Pratt residing in Kansas City, Missouri.

Lum's Uncles and Aunts all but Lina deceased; [1] Mary Ellen (PRATT) born 27 November 1857 and died 12 January 1928 married James Franklin Studdard, [2] Michael Pratt born June 1860 died before 1870. [3] Stonewall Jackson Newton born 16 September 1861 and died 18 August 1941 married Mary "Mollie" Louise (TAYLOR) Pratt, [4] Frances "Fannie" Minerva (PRATT) born 6 June 1865 and died 24 February 1934 married 1 st Jackman Whiteside, 2 nd David McDonald Campbell, [5] Paulina Perlina "Lina" (PRATT) born 9 May 1868 and married Thomas Lively Callahan residing near Cherryville, [6] Rhinehart "Rinard" Pratt born March 1873 and died 30 January 1929. [7] Minnie (PRATT) born 8 November 1876 and died 4 November 1928 married George William Richter.

Lum's Nephews and Nieces: Georgia Talmadge (**DAVIDSON**) married Ewing Riggs Sapp of St. Louis; Charlotte Ruth (**DAVIDSON**) married James Clinton Hisaw of St. Louis; Emmett Ray "Junior" Davidson Jr. married Virginia (**JONES**) of St. Louis; Rosalie Ruth (**PRATT**) married James "Jim" William Mayberry of St. Charles County; Thelma Dorothy (**PRATT**); Mary Jesse (**PRATT**); Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt; Donald Virgil Pratt; Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt; Dorothy Mae (**GRADDY**) married Ernest Otha Whitaker resident in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi; Mildred Opal (**GRADDY**); William "Bill" Allen Graddy of Bourbon; Hilda Mary (**GRADDY**) married Murrel Clay Phillips of St, Louis; Harold Lee Graddy; Edward "Ed" James Graddy; Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**); Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy; Donald "Don" Earl Graddy; Cecil Arthur Graddy; Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**); Laird Dean Graddy; Betty Jane (**GRADDY**); Ronald Francis Graddy; Orville Willard Pratt; Kenneth Lee Pratt; Kathleen Mae (**PRATT**)

[None of Lum's 14 grandchildren have been born as of his death date 1947.]

Officiating was the Shanklin and Adams Funeral Home and Chapel of Bourbon, Missouri. Special thanks to Rev. A. B. Ivie for his kind words of comfort and love. Interment was conducted in the Bourbon Cemetery on Tuesday, 29 July 1947 buried next to daughter Nadine. [end]

This is a good example of a comprehensive obituary and should be a model for future generations.

2008 Character Profile of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

According to my Dad, Uncle Carl and Aunt Mary, Lum was known as honest and hard working. Through research, I have discovered that monetary wealth seemed to elude him, but he was never poor because he had good friends and family. As a stonemason, he is responsible for building most of the fireplaces and many of the stone retaining walls that are still standing in the city of Bourbon and surrounding community to this day.

My father took me to several of the houses, barns, chimneys and retaining walls, which Lum built and as a credit to his skill, engineering and professionalism, with less than a grade school education, these structures are still standing and functioning after almost after 70 years.

Lum was a disciplined man and he helped built character in his children. Those hard times required discipline and hard work to get through the depression years.

He professed a belief in the Savior before he died and has been greatly missed all these years.

I never had the privilege of knowing my grandpa, in the flesh, but I knew him before I came to this earthly existence. We passed each other after he died on July 24, 1947 and before I was born January 3, 1948. So, we got to visit for a little while, before it was my turn. I am looking forward to seeing him again and after all I have learned and know about him...I feel it will be even more of an honor to share his company.- Floyd Thomas Pratt 2008

Physical Description

5' 9" 165lbs, gray eyes, black hair, ruddy complexion.

End of Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile

Using the C2G profile as a guideline, I was able to write a comprehensive biography on Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt including pictures, maps and mementoes into a book comprising over 100 pages. Creating the Cradle to Grave Profile is the first step in understanding your subject and a stepping-stone to greater literary creations. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2 July 2013

Related Topics

See the book, "The Pratt Chronicles...Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt" © 2013 by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. for what I call a Cradle to Grave Profile on steroids. This publication is 190 pages, including pictures, maps, articles, stories, all records known to the author concerning this subject.

Also, see "Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10 Henry Winslow Pratt and Descendants" © 1992 revised 2013 by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. Covers the life of Henry Winslow Pratt and spouse; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) and their descendants covering 2 generations.

See also, <u>Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 3 Alexander R. Pratt and Descendants</u>" © 1992 revised 2013 by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. Covers the life of Alexander R. Pratt and 1st spouse; Mary (**KIMBERLIN**) and their descendants covering 2 generations. Including Alexander's 2 nd spouse; Adeline Katherine (**DUGAN**) and their descendants.

Also, <u>Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 1 Henry Pratt and Descendants</u>" © 1992 revised 2013 by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. Covers the life of Henry Pratt and spouse; Nancy (**CARTER**) and their descendants covering 2 generations.

Also, "Henry Pratt Family of Greene County, Tennessee" © 2003 by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. Covers Henry and Nancy (CARTER) Pratt from their marriage in 1820 to their move to Monroe County, Tennessee and participation in the gold rush in 1826, to their expulsion from Monroe County due to Henry's Cherokee ancestry by the United States Government. Forced on the "Trail of Tears" jumping the trail in Crawford County, Missouri settling in Washington County, Missouri and raising a large family.

Books have been produced also on the Carter, Kimberlin, Missey, Johnson and related families.

Columbus married Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON), daughter of Judge James Millard Johnson Sr. and Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON), on 12 April 1919 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States. Marriage status: married until widowed on 27 July 1947. Rue was born on 19 March 1894 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 26 June 1983 in Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, Benton Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States at age 89, and was buried on 29 June 1983 in Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.



Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt 1894-1983

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile of Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) by grandson; Flovd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 13 March 2012

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1894 Birthblock for Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) daughter of James Millard Sr. & Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson

Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 March 1894.

Date from 1900 census states she was born March 1894 in Missouri.

Date from 1910 census states she was born in 1895 in Missouri.

Date from 1920 census states she was born in 1895 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states she was born in 1894 in Missouri.

Date from 1940 census states she was born in 1894 in Missouri.

Date from death certificate states she was born 19 January 1894 in Missouri.

Date from headstone states she was born 19 January 1894.

Date from the SSDI states she was born 19 January 1894.

Date from the obituary states she was born [none located]

[Since her parents said in the 1900 census she was born March 1894, I would be inclined to believe that her birth month was March and not January. Where the mix up happened I do not know. Checking the newspapers at that time of birth might produce articles on the family and birth of the children.]

1895 Childbirth of brother; James Millard Johnson Jr.

James Millard Johnson Jr. was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 11 July 1897. This is another example that in the 1900 census they stated he was

born December 1895.

1900 Federal Census age 6

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 30a, 23 June 1900, line 41, house 276, family 281

JOHNSON, James M. head w m born March 1855 age 45; Dosha wife w f born April 1861 age 38; Claud son w m born January 1886 age 13; Glen son w m born April 1888 age 12; Lee son w f born September 1889 age 10; Joy dau w f born May 1892 age 8; Rue dau w f born March 1894 age 6; James son w m born December 1895 age 4

[Living at the Johnson house on Walnut Street in Bourbon. All were born in Missouri except Dosha who was born in Georgia. James' parents born in Missouri, Dosha's father & mother born in North Carolina. They have been married for 15 years. Dosha says she has had 7 children born and 6 are living. James is a farmer and owns his home. Living next door to Dosha's parents: William & Harriet (**KING**) Barton]

1910 Federal Census age 16

Walnut Street, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 16a, 15 April 1910, line 29, house 9, family 7

JOHNSON, James M. head w m 53; Dosa wife w f 49; Joy M. dau w f 17; Rue F. dau w f 15; James M. Jr. son w m 12

[All were born in Missouri except Dosha who was born in Georgia. James' states his father was born in North Carolina his mother in Missouri. Dosha states her parents born in North Carolina. The rest were born in Missouri, their mother in Georgia. James M. Johnson was a merchant and owned a general store and owns his home. They both have been married once for 26 years, Dosha says she has had 7 children born 6 are living. Still living at the Johnson house on Walnut Street & Blue Springs Road in Bourbon.]

1913 Death of mother; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson died on Walnut Street, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 December 1913.

1917 Witness

Rue Johnson and Mae (**ADAMS**) were witnesses to the marriage of James M. Johnson and Viola (**ADAMS**) on 8 December 1917 at Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States recorded by A.P. Missey. [Rev. Albert Paris Missey. James M. is her brother.]

1919 Marriage of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt and Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON)

[1] Crawford County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "I", page 442 Columbus B. Pratt and Rue Johnson were married on 12 April 1919. At the Bourbon Methodist Church by J.G. Craig. He bought the marriage license on April 9, 1919 at Steelville, Crawford Co., Mo.

1920 Federal Census age 26

Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 3b, 5 January 1920, house 71,

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 26; Rue F. wife w f age 25

[All born in Missouri including parents. This location was at the James Millard Johnson Sr. house on Walnut Street and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon, Missouri.]

1920 Childbirth of daughter; Mary Edith (PRATT)

Mary Edith Pratt was born at Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 22 February 1920. This would have been at the Johnson House on the corner of Blue Springs Road and Walnut Street. Owned by James Millard Johnson Sr. who allowed his daughter, Rue and son-n-law Lum Pratt to live in after they were married. There is a picture of this house in the Johnson-Barton file.

1920 Death of grandmother: Harriet (KING) Barton

Harriet (**KING**) Barton died at her home on Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Town, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 3 February 1920.

1921 Childbirth of son; Carl Benjamin Pratt

Carl Benjamin Pratt was born at Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 25 November 1921.

1922 Death of grandfather; William Barton

William Barton died at the home of son; Zacariah Alonzo & Mary Alice (**SELF**) Barton family on Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Town, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 7 January 1922.

Research Note

The Barton house owned and livend in by William and Harriet Barton was located behind and south of the Johnson House down in the field. Sometime before theiur deaths, son; Zacariah Alonzo "Lon" & Mary Alice (**SELF**) Barton family moved into that home and took care of his parents. When they died in 1920-1922 respectively, Lon and family inherited that dwelling and moved out and rented that home to the Columbus & Rue (**JOHNSON**) Pratt family.

1924 Childbirth of son; Roy Lee Pratt

Roy Lee Pratt was born at Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 November 1924.

1924-1927 Family Move

Roy was born in Bourbon and Dad told me he was born at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri. Therefore they left the Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road and moved to the Uhlinger Farm between 1924-1927.

1927 Childbirth of son; Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt

Floyd Theodore Pratt was born at the Unlinger Farm, outside of Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1927.

1929 Childbirth of daughter: Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadine Wilma Pearl Pratt was born at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 5 April 1929.

1930 Federal Census age 36

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177a, 8 April 1930, line 8, house 24, family 24

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 36; Rue F. wife w f 36; Mary E. dau w f 10; Carl D. son w m 8; Roy L. son w m 5; Floyd T. son w m 3; Nadine W. dau w f 1

[All born in Missouri. Columbus parents born in Missouri, Rue says her father born in Illinois and mother born in South Carolina. Lum and Rue says they were aged 25 when they first got married. Columbus says he is a veteran of WWI. No occupation listed for Lum.]

1931 Childbirth of son; James Henry Pratt

James Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1931.

1937 Spouse's Social Security Card

[1] Columbus B. Pratt obtained a social security card date of issue June 30, 1937.

[2] [Not in the SSDI]

1938 Death of mother-in-law; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY)

Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1939 Spouse bought Life Insurance

Columbus B. Pratt bought a life insurance policy on Roy Lee Pratt, Floyd T. Pratt, James H. Pratt on 14 August 1939 from the Central Mutual Insurance Co.

1939 Death of daughter; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**) died on 9 December 1939 at McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States.

1939-1942 Spouse's Occupation

Between 1939-1942 Columbus B. Pratt was an entrepreneur as a stone mason around the Crawford, Franklin, Washington County area. He kept good records of accounts from various work jobs and wages earned. I have included some of these records in the following pages.

1940 Federal Census age 46

Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 4b, 15 April 1940, line 49, house 79

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 46; Rue wife w f 46; Roy son w m 15; Floyd son w m 13; James son w m 9; JOHNSON, James M. father-in-law w m 85, Lee E. Sr. brother-in-law w m 52; Lee E. Jr. son of brother-in-law w m 2; (house 80) SKAGGS, Chester head w m 25, Mary Edith wife w f 20

[All born in Missouri except Lee Jr. born in Wyoming. They were all living in the Barton House as of 1 April 1935 except Chester was living in Potosi, Missouri working as a Tiff miner. This was before the married Mary Edith (**PRATT**) in 1938. Columbus worked as a laborer doing road improvements, Lee Sr., worked as an assistant cashier in a bank, Chester worked as truck driver for a feed store. This was for Hartung Feed in Bourbon, Dad says Uncle Chester taught him how to drive in that old feed truck. Chester would slide over by the door and Dad would get behind the wheel and that's how he learned to drive. Chester and Edith lived upstairs in the house and had seperate cooking facilities.]

Reserch Note

James Millard Johnson Sr. owned the home at Walnut and Blue Springs Road. Even though Columbus is shown in the 1940 census as head of the house, it was actually owned by his father-in-law; James Millard Johnson Sr. As explained above, Chester and Edith lived upstairs

and had seperate cooking facilities and would cook great meals that other members of the house would smell and envy.

1941 Death of father; James Millard Johnson Sr.

James Millard Johnson Sr. died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 May 1941.

1942 Spouse's Selective Service Registration Card

27 April 1942 Columbus B. Pratt was issued a duplicate selective service registration card in Bourbon, Missouri.

1942 Spouse's Employment

11 May 1942 Columbus Pratt earned \$21.60 from the Allied Contracting Company and received a pay stub.

1944 Spouse's Tax Form W-2

Lum Pratt received a W-2 form from Gus Hartung dba Hartung Transportation Company in Bourbon, Missouri, for \$35.00.

1946 Spouse's Registered Truck

11 May 1946 C.B. Pratt registered a 1938 Ford Truck Stake body in Bourbon, MO.

1946 Spouse's Driver's License

18 July 1946, C. B. Pratt renewed his driver's license for 25 cents in Bourbon, MO.

1947 Spouse's Hunting Permit

5 May 1947, C.B. Pratt was issued a Hunting, Traping, and Fishing permit for \$2.15 by the State of Missouri. He was living in Bourbon, MO., 53 years of age, Brown hair, Blue eyes, 5' 10" tall, weight 190 lbs.

1947 Death of spouse; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 27 July 1947.

[1] Death Certificate: Missouri State Board of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Standard Certificate of Death, State File #27188

Columbus B. Pratt was born November 1, 1893 in Crawford County, Missouri to Windsol (*sic*) Pratt unknown birthplace and Lara Missey unknown birthplace. His usual residence was Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri and his occupatuion was a stone mason. He was 53 years, 8 months and 1 day old when he died on July 27, 1947 at his home in Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri. He was buried at the New Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri on July 29, 1947 and the informant was Mrs. Rue Pratt of Bourbon, Missouri.

[2] Headstone states he died July 27, 1947.

Grandma Rue could sign

Grandmother Rue's father; James Millard Johnson Sr. with partners started the Bourbon Bank. He also owned a mercantile store in Bourbon before he lost his fortune in the depression of 1929-1930. My Dad, Floyd Theodore Pratt says that his mother, Rue worked in her Daddy's store as a clerk when she was a young girl. Around the Bourbon area lived several deaf families. Grandmother Rue (**JOHNSON**) Pratt learned sign language.

probably from her well educated and talented mother; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (**BARTON**) Johnson and could communicate with the deaf when they came in to purchase goods. He said that she was so fast that she could hold a whole conversation on one hand. Her mother also taught her to play the organ and piano, which she played for her church. Floyd Thomas Pratt 2009

1961 June Inquiry

June 1961 Floyd Pratt received a letter from John Steele McCormick about family history to go into a book about the families of Crawford Co., MO. He sent this request to his mother Rue Pratt and she responded with the information below which some of it has been printed in the book "Forest Hills and Vicinity" by John Steele McCormick 1971. This information about the Pratts was forward to Mr. McCormick by my father Floyd T. Pratt.

1961 July Letter

[This letter was handwritten by Grandmother Rue and sent to my dad after John McCormick sent a letter to him requesting Pratt family information for his upcoming book; " <u>Forest Hills and Vicinity</u>". Dad sent the request to Grandma and this is one of the reply's she sent. I have laminated her letter for future posterity. Floyd Thomas Pratt] [Page 1] *Bourbon, Mo, July 11*,

Dear Children.

I received your letter, pictures and check this morning. I sure do thank you. and I was so glad to get the pictures and see what the kid's pony looked like. It sure looks good. The boys will soon be western cow boys, but they had better be careful. It seems so long since you folks were here.

Carl and Mary never comes out and I never see Roy I know he could come by and see me once in awhile and of course you and Jim lives to far away.

Calvin and Mary came back from Cal if but they haven't got work yet. I haven't seen them since they came back about a month ago.

Chester got fired from R.E.A. about a month ago. It sure hit them hard. He has got a few little carpenter jobs but don't amount to much. I don't know what he is going [Page2] to do. Draw unemployment I guess.

I am sending you all I can find out about the Pratts and Missey. Ed Missey at Potosi, Mo might know more If he wants to write to him.

I don't know when they came to Anthony's Mill, Brazil Creek, Greens Branch, and Crows Creek, they all lived around that neighbor hood.

Chester and John Beckett went fishing and caught some good catfish. Edith brought me over some and I am frying them for my supper.

Ruth Graddy is in Columbia Hospital again they don't think she can live long. Charlie is home from the hospital but has to be awful careful he can't do anything. [page 3]

Henry Winslow Pratt married Laura M. Missey children - Columbus, Jess, Allan, Virgil, Arthur, Mary, Ruth, Orville. (Deceased Columbus, Allan, Arthur, Mary.) Jess lives near Leasburg, Virgil lives at Bourbon, Orville at Kansas City, (Ruth Graddy is very low with cancer at Cancer Hospital at Columbia.)

married William Barton & Harriet King children- William, Alonzo, Docia (Barton) Johnson, She married James M. Johnson who lived in around Bourbon. He was in the Mercantile business most of the time after he married. Their children- Claud, Glenn, Lee, Joy, Rue, and Millard Jr. (Deceased Claud and Glenn.) Lee lives in Mosquero, N.M. Joy married Chas T. Record of Anthony's Mill son of Thomas and Melzina Record. They live in Leasburg now.

Rue married Columbus B. Pratt son of Henry Winslow & Laura Pratt in 1919 their children,

Edith (Pratt) Skaggs of Bourbon, Carl of St. Louis, Roy of near Steelville, Floyd of Sioux [page 4] Falls, South Dakota and James of California. These children were all born and raised in and around Bourbon.

Laura Missey's father was Columbus Missey. Her mother was Cyntha Talbot. H. Winslow Pratts father was Alex Pratt, his other boys were Rynard, Carric, Cleave. His mother was a Kimberlin. He came from Pennsylvania and settled around Brazil Creek and Greens Branch.

If he [McCormick] wants to write to Ed Missey at Potosi, he might find out more. [end]

Research Note

- [1] Uncle Chester was a victim of corporate downsizing and lost his job in 1961. As is the custom of businesses's in the US, when an employee becomes older and the corporations have to deliver more benefits, then they find ways to sever the relationship on older employees. Until the government puts a stop to this practice, older employees will always be replaced by cheaper, younger employees. Remember, business is the great whore of Babylon.
- [2] This letter is where the information came from which Mr. McCormick wrote in his book. If you will read my notes on Henry Winslow Pratt I clarify this information and correct the errors.
- [3] Grandmother Rue was a fantastic woman and knew a great deal of family history much more than this letter reveals. I wish I had spent more time with her, however, I would not have known what to ask her about the family, it has been only after all these 35 years of research do I now feel I could actually ask intelligent questions about the family. Floyd Thomas Pratt 26 Dec 2007]

Grandmother Rue's Family History

In response to John McCormick's request, Grandmother Rue wrote more loose leaf pages on family history. The originals are in the Pratt Archives. There are no dates as to suggest when she may have written this information. It is almost as if she was writing it for me and future generations. This is an equivalent of a Pratt Family Bible. [Page 1]

Henry Winslow Pratt married Laura M. Missey to this union were born 8 children Columbus, Jess, Allen, Virgil, Arthur, Mary (passed away), Ruth and Orville. Virgil and Orville are the only ones living. Columbus married Rue Johnson had 6 children, Carl Benj Pratt, Roy Lee, Floyd T., Nadine and Jim. Nadine passed away on December 9, 1939. Virgil had 7 children, Rosalie married Jim Mayberry, Thelma married Dave Rowland, Mary married Calvin Ivie, Curtis married Tommy (3 boys), Donald married Wilma George (2 boys), Gene in U.S. Navy. Orville married 1st Olive Mallow, had 2 boys Junior Kenneth and one girl Cathy. [Page 2]

Ruth married Allen Graddy. Dorothy May, Mildred, William, Hilda, Harold, Ben, Evelyn, Don, Cecil, Betty, Ronny, Cecil and Dean. Alex Pratt - _____ Kimberlin, children Henry Winslow Pratt, Rynard, Carric, Cleave. Laura M. (**Missey**) Pratt father- Columbus Missey, her mother- Cynthia Talbot.

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Martin and Comfort (**Osborn**) Johnson, children, Charlie and Columbia Johnson, William Johnson, John and Mattie Johnson, William Johnson, Isaac Wilson and Alice Johnson, James Millard & M. J. Dosia Johnson, Strawd and Becky (**Johnson**) Braughten. Charlie & Columbia children- Clyde, Maud and Ruth Lewis. Millard and Dosia children - Calud Parham born march 13, 1885, Cecil Glenn born March 31, 1886, Lee Emory born April 14, 1888, Edith

born May 26, 1891 passed away at age 1mo 22 day, Joy Mildred born Aug 6, 1892, Rue Flavilia born Jan 19, 1824, James Millard born July 11, 1897. Millard Johnson Sr. was born Sept 29, 1854 in Franklin Co. Dosia (Barton) Johnson was born [page 4] in Racon County Georgia Jan 18, 1861. Passed away June 10, 1913. Her father William Barton mother Harriet King. Wilson & Alice Johnson children Joe, Albert, Ina, Ina married Edward Dierking. They both passed away but have 3 living children George, Mattie and Mary K. Albert also passed away but Joe passed away is still living he never married and he makes his home with George Dierking and family and they live out at Japan, Mary K. Dierking is in Hawaii, Mattie D. married Herman Knopfel the have no children. They live in St. Louis at 1236 Craft. [page 5] William -James Millard Johnson, Isaac Wilson & Alice, Charlie & Columbia, John & Mattie, Benjamine, Mary Braughton (Johnson), Becky Richardson (Johnson), Willis & Alice, Albert, Joe, Ina, Ina married Ed Dierking, they have 3 children living Joe is also living, George Dierking, Mary K. Dierking, Mattie (Dierking) Knopfel. [end]

Research Note

Grandmother Rue's written family history is the tempplate I used to begin my family research in December 1975. Without this roadmap it would have been very difficult to connect the families. Remember, back then there were no computers, no databases, no genealogy programs and the sources where...libraries, headstones, courthouses, census records, death certificates, marriage licenses and word of mouth. Most sources had to be bought and researched from scratch. Thousands of man hours had to be expended in order to get the information you now enjoy with a click of the mouse. I am thankful and proud to have been one of the genealogical pioneers of the Pratt, Barton, Missey, Osborn, Johnson, Carter, Blanton, Brown, Bednarek, Kimberlin(g) and allied families which comprise the **Pratt Progenitor Papers**. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 29 June 2009

24 May 1962 Letter

[page 1] Bourbon, MO May 24, 1962

Dear Children:- Recieved your letter and money, Many Thanks I was broke and it came in handy. I still had to borrow \$10.00 from Edith to send an order off I had made out a month ago. I thought my gas bill would not be so big but it was so I called John Rohrer he said he would come and see about it but he hasn't so far, I have shut off all my gas but the hot water heater, am cooking[page 2]on my hot plate to see what is wrong if this gas is that high I am going to hunt me another place. I hate to move from here I like the place but that "housegas" sure robs you.

Jess Pratt is in the Veterns Hospital very bad with a heart attack he had early monday morning he was taken to the Sullivan Hospital then yesterday they taken him to the veterans. then they called last night and said he was worse and the Drs there said [page 3] there wasn't any chance for him to live.

Jim & Juanita were up by Saturday going to Rolla they taken me with them.

Is the kids school out up there yet? This is the last week of school here I sure dread it as we have some pretty mean kids living in these appart some of the churches are going to have vacation Bible school for about 2 weeks that will help.

Danny is going to the Baptist Vacation Bible school if they stay here long enough. Chester is out of work [page 4] again and they are thinking of going to Florida. I was sorry to hear of Dorothy feeling so bad sure hope she is feeling better by now, and if she has to have an operation everthing will be fine. Will close and try and get this in the mail soon., Love Mother [end]

26 December 1962 Letter

[page 1] Bourbon, MO Dec 26, 1962

Dear Children:- Hope you had a nice Christmas. has Floyd ever went to the hospital for a check up. Hope he is feeling better. I had a nice Christmas I went to Edith Monday and stayed till today (Wed) afternoon. We all went over to Jims afternoon a while Christmas day Jim was home. I had bad luck before Christmas as my T.V. went out I had to have it fixed, then I broke my lower plate of my teeth[page 2] I have an awful time trying to eat. I grind my meal on the food grinder and have to pass up nuts (candy of some kind) apples and oranges. I did think I would try and sell my washing machine to have my teeth fixed but afraid I could not get what it is worth. I will just have to live on soup. if that old house over by Eulas ever gets empty I will have to go back and live in a cheaper house. My T.V. has started to acting up it keeps cutting off and on all the time since I got home, I think[page 3] I will sell out everything and go to the Soldiers home. Edith taken Danny to Sullivan this after noon to see the Dr and may go on to the hospital to have his tonsils out tomorrow. I am going over to Jim & Juantis tomorrow to stay with the kids while they go in to St Louis. Juanitas kids thought I just had to have a Christmas tree so Juanita got me one and I trimmed it up with some things Edith let me have. Must close Love Mother [end]

23 February 1963 Letter

[page1] Bourbon, Mo Feb 23, 1963

Dear Children:- What has become of you? Are you sick? Have not heard from you for so long. We are still having around close to zero weather surely the real cold weather will let up some day. I went down to allenton and stayed a week with Mrs. Miller and Lottie. I stayed over at Jim's last night until 12 oclock with the kids while they went bowling Jim and his buddies that haul for Von der Ache and their wives were bowling. Juanita just told me Roy was in and she was afraid the bunch would[page 2] want to go again to night. I was sleeping a while ago and the next door neighbor ran in and wanted to call the fire department we had a fire, it was around my house and the wind is blowing and so strong. I heard the fire department called out again in about ½ hour after they left here.

I am having my teeth made will get them about the first of March. It will cost me \$60.00. Juanita said they would pay \$15.00. Roy said he would pay \$15.00. Chester and Edith will pay that much and if you could pay that much they would be paid for. I sure hate to ask you kids to pay[page3] for them for I know you have expense of your own. I thought maybe he would let me pay for them by the month and I could pay for them this summer. I never ask him yet but he patched my old teeth up till I can wear them, but take them out of my mouth when I eat part of the time so if he won't let me have them I can get by just having them in when I set around it rests my jaws.

I am looking forward to you comming home Easter. I hope the other kids can be home then also. I am going to try and get two hens and have baked [page 4] chicken, dressing, dumplings and hope it won't cost you so much for eats when you are here.

I am sending a picture of Roy's truck for Mike. Roy said he wanted one and he gave it to me and told me to send it to him. Well must close. Now answer soon and let me know how you all are. Love Mother

Snow is just about gone but we are supposed to get some more to-night. [end]

28 March 1963 Letter

[page1] Bourbon, Mo Mar 27, 1963

Dear Children:-I recieved your letter sorry you are having trouble with the co. hope it gets straightened out. If you need the money you can quit sending it as I am in hops the cold

weather is over and my gas bill will not be so big anymore and I think I can get along with out it this summer. We have decided to get a ham and bake it for Easter and are going to try and have all the kids home sure hope Jum and Roy will be in.

I liked to never got over the flu still feel weak and effects of it being so long to get over it. Joy and I went to Union Sun.[page 2] to the funeral parlor where Raymond Vaughn was. We got to see all the folk it had been so long since we seen them. He was burried here at the Boubon Cemetery Mon eve. Must close as I am running out of paper and I still want to write to Carls and Roys. Hope to see you soon. Love Mother

Jim and Juanita bought a brand new car. Edith had a tooth pulled yesterday and is going to Rolla Hospital the 8th to have all her teeth pulled. We will have to make her soup for Easter. [end]

1 August 1965 Letter

Bourbon, MO Aug 1, 1965

Dear children:- Just a few lines to let you know I am on my way to the Sullivan Hospital not serious just for some tests. Hope you are all well Love Mother

Well here I am in the Sullivan Hospital I forgot to mail this on the way. I don't know just how long I will be here not serious Mother[end]

Shanklin Memorial Trusts Funeral Plan

Rue Pratt bought a Memorial Trust Plan from Shanklin Memorial Trusts. The plan was \$1202 the Shanklin Trust knocked off \$202 and Grandmother Rue paid \$40 cash and \$10 check. Apparently, she was not able to keep up the \$13.50 a month payment beginning 5 October 1966. She was concerned that she would be a burden on her children upon her death and as is apparent in her letters she tried to take care of herself but sometimes she needed help. Since Lum died in 1947, she has been alone taking care of herself with assistance from her children, mostly Edith & Chester. She is a strong and remarkable woman. 1 September 1966

4 February 1969 Letter

Bourbon, Mo Feb 4, 1968 [postmarked 1969]

Dear Son and family what have I done that none of my children will visit me. Floyd you did visit me about every two weeks now, you never come or even call me any more. Love Mother [end]

16 May 1970 Letter

Between 1969 and 1970 Grandmother Rue was moved into a nursing home. By this date she was living at the McFarland Nursing Home in Rolla, Missouri. After living an active life for 76 years it was hard for her to adjust to the idleness of a nursing home. Also, as a good Christian woman all her life she found her roommates intolerable.

[page 1] Rolla, Mo May 16, 1970

Dear children:-Well as I don't have anything to do but set and listen to this talking machine is going and can't be shut off and it is a broken record because it keeps repeating all the time. Orville and Marie were here to see me last Sunday eve, they were on their way home from Bourbon. They live up at the lake of Ozarks. He wants me to go to the family reunion in July but I don't think I will. I sure did enjoy the ride we taken while you were up here. Edith was here twice this week. I got a boquet of Red Carnations in a big vase for Mother's Day from Roy and Bernice and your card thanks for remembering me on Mother's day. I also got a new duster. (Iguess that is what you call them a dreww anyway) from Edith, three dollars from Jim

and Juanita, \$5.00 from Carl and [page 2] Mary. I taken the \$5.00 from them and \$2.50 of Jim's money and got me a permanent it cost \$7.50.

Has Tom and Mary got a late picture of the baby if they have tell them to send me one. What is Roy and Berniece address send it to me so I can write and thank them for the flowers. We have to go to bed at 7:30 the sun still shinning. I generally get afterwards and set up a while. Of course Betty (the talking machine) don't go to bed until 11 o'clock. Well I will close as it is 7:30 ans soon. Love Mother [end]

12 July 1970 Letter

[page 1] Rolla, Mo July 12, 1970

Dear Son:-I stayed up here from church this afternoon. I thought sure you or Jim would come and see me, but no you can't be bothered. I have sttod this just as long as I can. Edith won't listen to me, but there are two more nursing home starting in Bourbon. As many homes as there are in Bourbon but no I am stuck off in Rolla where my folks can't come see me you helped get me[page 2] up here, now help get me out of here and down to Bourbon were all my folks and friends can come to see me and I will know what is going on down there. Two women in this room smokes all the time and works on Sunday just the same as any other day. One curses and talks all the time, when no one listens she talks to her self. Now if you boys don't get a hold of Edith and see that they cant find me [page 3] a place in Bourbon I am going to disown you all. I set here and want to cry all the time. I am piecing quilts but they treat us so dirty I don't feel like doing that. I don't care what a place you find for me I will live in a hog house just so it is in Bourbon so I could see Joy and Eula. Eula wrote and said there was a home putting up between Bourbon and Sullivan, there is where I would like[page 4] to be now please do something I have not long to live and let me have my last request (back in Bourbon) your mother Rue Pratt [end]

6 September 1970 Letter

[page 1] Rolla, MO Sept. 6, 1970

Dear Children:-What has become of you, I haven't seen you folks for so long. Did you sell your place (cabin). I have been looking for you folk out for so long. Carl, Mary and 4 children were out last Sunday morn. They sent me \$10.00 not very long ago then they wanted to buy a quilt top but I never had any[page 2] finished and Mary gave me \$30.00 then 2 quarters before they left. John is in the coast guards and was home waiting for an assignment. I got moved from 3 wing up on 3 floor I have a nice place and can look out and see the birds and Squirrel, and can watch the reays come up and be carried out to everyone and the bunch comes in here and sets and talks while[page 3] they wait on some more trays to come up. I have a sewing machine to sew on but I am having so much trouble with my back and head and eyes. O yest I forgot to tell you they have a yard out side where they bring the men out and I can watch them.(Ha Ha)

They taken me over to have my eyes tested last Thursday, I thought they were going to fit me up for new [page 4] glasses but they just told me to go and be fitted up for glasses and go to a Doctor for a physical examination. Has Mike ever got married yet or is he going to school or working someplace. I haven't heard from Tom and Mary since they were here to see me long time ago. Well I must close answer and tell me all about everybody. Love Mother [end]

QUERRY:

From: Floyd Pratt [mailto:fpratt1@verizon.net] **Sent:** Wednesday, December 26, 2007 10:12 PM

To: mahud@fidnet.com

Subject: Rolla Hospital

Dear Mary, My aunt died on 9 December 1939 at the ?Farland Hospital in Rolla, Phelps, Missouri. I can't seem to find any information about the hospital. Could you please tell me the actual name of the hospital so I get it right in my records? Thank You, I have enclosed a copy of the death certificate. Floyd Pratt

Floyd, I ask the president of the Phelps county genealogy society your question. Here is her reply. If you need more here is her address Sheila Wood swood@rollanet.org

Mary,

OH YES!!!!!!!!! It started out as McFarland Hospital and then to a nursing home. You never wanted to go there. That was the worst place, but some people had no other place to go when they got old or sick. I will try and tell you where it was: On Hwy 63 & Pine street (the corner) there a rock house there now, (on the south side) next to the campus book store. Behind the rock house was the hospital, where Vessel fitness center is now. I don't know if there was a street name at that time, and I don't know if there is street name now. I know that Gene McFarland is off this family and he might know more then I. My husband was in the hospital in 1945, when his great uncle was dying Bill's mother was always taking care of someone and this was Bill's dad side. She should been a doctor. You haven't been sending me any more querries. I know we have really slowed down for the holidays and it happens every year. Then spring hits. We now have a new mico reader printer, we went ahead and got it, left us with very little money to work with, but we needed that machine. Sheila [end]

[This is the same nursing home that Grandmother Rue stayed in when she was housed in Rolla. I asked Dad and he said yes, his mother used to tell them that she was unconfortable being in the same hospital/nursing home that daughter; Nadine had died in. Floyd Thomas Pratt]

In Memoriam to Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

I knew Grandma Rue (**JOHNSON**) Pratt very well. I used to stay with her when I was a small boy. I can remember she was one of the best cooks in the world. She made blackberry cobbler the best I have ever tasted. We used to go on trips to her house when we lived in Saint Louis and the whole family, Dad, Mom and us kids and grandma would go out into the country on some dirt road around Bourbon and pick blackberries on the side of the road. The bushes grew wild...I ate more than I picked.

Grandma Rue possessed a strong character with a righteous sense of good. She read the bible and attended the Pentecostal Church in Bourbon and played the piano or organ when called upon to do so. Later she changed to the Bourbon Assembly of God Church in Bourbon.

As a young boy always getting in trouble, she would defend me from my Dad when I would do something wrong and would say "Ted, you leave him alone." I used to run to her and hide behind her and she protected me from punishment from my Dad. Sometimes I would climb up on her lap and lay my head on her shoulder and just feel safe and comforted. I know I probably deserved the punishment but as small child I could get sympathy from her and enjoyed the attention and loved every minute of her protection. I remember giggling and laughing because I thought I was getting away with something.

When I was young, I can remember her going with us on trips to the zoo in Saint Louis and

the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City, Missouri.

When I became a grown man with a family of my own, I used to bring my family out to Bourbon from Saint Louis to visit with her. She would give them the same unconditional love that she had always given me.

I remember one time she told me that as a little girl she took the train from Bourbon to Saint Louis to see the 1904 World's Fair. She said her Daddy bought her a new pair of shoes for the trip. She told me that the Johnson's were merchants and businessmen and well-to-do before the great depression. [This I have verified through research on the Johnson family.]

She was born of upper middle class stock and I don't know what she saw in a poor Missouri dirt farmer and war hero; named Columbus Benjamin "Lum" Alexander Pratt. She was probably taken over by the famous Pratt charm, that I have found all us Pratt boys possess. However, fortunate for us Lum and Rue married and raised our parents.

Her Johnson brothers didn't approve of the marriage and gave Grandma Rue a hard time. In fact it has been said that they didn't have much to do with her for a long time because of her spousal choice. Rue, being a woman of strong character overcame her brother's objections and prejudices and raised good children that are well respected and loved by those who know them.

Not all the Johnsons were against her, because her father, Judge James Millard Johnson Sr. let Lum and her after they wre married, stay at the Johnson house on Blue Springs Road and Walnut Street until Millard died in 1941. Dad says that Lon Barton either bought that house or inherited it and charged the Pratt family for rent, \$8 dollars a month while they lived there.

I can remember attending Sunday School with Grandma Rue at Bourbon at the Old Penecostal Church and feeling a sense of love from the people I met.

We picnicked and swam in the Blue Springs Creek and was scared when we crossed the infamous two wheeled Hog-Trough Bridge. If any of you remember that bridge, it was a nightmare. This bridge expanded the Meramec River with two small lanes that barely fit the wheels of the vehicle you were driving. Between the lanes was an opening where you could see the river flowing. There were only a few supports and the bridge was only about 1 to 2 feet above the river, mostly 1 feet or less. In some places, the water came right up onto the lanes and flowed over the wooden bridge. After a storm, in high water, the bridge disappeared under the river. As you drove over the bridge it would creak and crack and groan from the weight of the vehicle and always scared me to death. I think they have closed it now due to its unsafe condition.

Rue was an overflowing fountain of knowledge and stories of the past but being a child, I thought as a child and was too busy to listen or be interested.

One day when she was at the Rolla Nursing Home, I asked her why she named my father...Floyd. She said that during the great depression the Pratt family like others were in hard times and there wasn't much money for food and supplies. The grocer in Bourbon would give the family credit and would go out of his way to help the family. She said his name was Floyd and so to honor his kindness and generosity she named one of her sons after him.

After hearing that story, what used to be an unusual name, which I always disliked, I now wear with pride in honor of a man whose kindness and generosity helped families in time of need.

Now that she has passed over, I don't feel an acute sense of loss because I took advantage of the opportunity to fellowship and get to know her while she was here. I felt helplessness and cried because of the unhappiness and pain she suffered in her latter years from a body stricken with disease. When she passed on, I was happy that she would no longer suffer as she had.

I am glad her spirit is co-mingling with her father, mother, brothers, sisters and children and delight in the knowledge that she is fellowshiping in the presence of our Heavenly Father. I am thankful for the privilege of her association and because of that association, my life has been enriched with her acts of kindness and loving memories. This family history legacy I have compiled and leave behind is my way of honoring her for her unconditional love she offered everyone. I rejoice in the knowledge that I will one day fellowship with all the ancients and especially Grandmother Rue. To me, she will always be a rare star in the cluster of our Heavenly Father's heaven. -- Floyd Thomas Pratt 2008

1983 Death of Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt died at Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 June 1983. **[1]** Missouri Division of Health, Certificate of Death, State File #83-013236. Rue F. Pratt was born January 19, 1894 in Missouri to James M. Johnson and Theodosia Barton. She was a widowed homemaker and died June 26, 1983 at the Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, Crawford, Missouri. She was buried at the Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri on June 29th, 1983. The Britton Funeral Home of Cuba, Missouri officiating. The informant was son; Floyd Pratt of 12706 Brumley Drive, Bridgeton, Missouri.

Research Note

When Grandmother Rue died, my family and I attended her funeral at her Assembly of God Church in Bourbon, Missouri. The pastor of the church was new to the congregation and area and since Grandmother Rue had been in a nursing home for several years, he didn't know her at all. Instead of asking if anyone would like to say a few words about her, no one who knew her was allowed to speak. In retrospect, I guess I should have forced their hand and said a few words. Aunt Edith and Uncle Chester were on vacation in the state of Washington and were traveling by motor home, so they missed the funeral. Otherwise, Dad, Uncle Jim, Uncle Carl and Uncle Roy and their families were in attendence and many friends who had known her. After her interment in the Bourbon Cemetery, we all went across I-44 and had lunch at a local resturant and that's when Crystal said her famous line to Uncle Jim. As we were sitting there. Uncle Jim was sitting across from us at the table and I turned to Crystal; my 5 year old daughter and said, "That's your Great Uncle Jim" pointing my finger towards him. She pondered the statement for a minute and with an innocent query, looked him straight in the eye and said, "What makes you so great?" Uncle Jim and I were both startled and caught off guard and he said, "Because I just am." Satisfied, she focused her attention on something, else. But Uncle Jim and I got a big laugh from that because it caught us both off guard and...it was a good question!

1983 Burial of Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States Columbus B. Pratt Nov 1 1893-July 27, 1947 Horseshoer WWI Rue F. Pratt Jan. 19, 1894-June 26, 1983 [Buried next to their daughter Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**)]

Social Security Death Index

Name:Rue Pratt SSN:493-20-5872 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:19 Jan 1894 Died:Jun 1983 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

Letter to My Children (no date)

Dear Children,

I am sorry that I can't find time to talk with you about things that I have on my heart. We live in much too busy a world and our time together are usually so brief we have touched on the subject several times, but I find it difficult to say the things I feel in my heart lest I create the impression of being a "meddling" mother or fuddy duddy. However, I do feel very concerned about all of you, I dearly love you, I am very proud of all of you.

There may be nothing particular wrong with taking part in the activities of the world, but when it causes you to lose out spiritually or when it crowds out your testimony as a Christian, then it can not be the right thing to do. You know the bible says, "what fellowship hath right with darkness" and also "come out from among them be ye seperate". The truth is they are influencing you, you are not influencing them. There are days when we need spiritual strength.

Moses became a great influence for God because he refused the pleasures and fame of Egypt, choosing rather to suffer afflictions with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season. Our responsibilities are not only God-ward but man-ward. Our bodies should be presented as a sacrifice to God as a channel thru which he could work. The enemy of our soul is very subtle and he has only one objective...to devour us, he will endeavor to do it by fair means or foul.

Our love for Christ can cool so gradually that we are scarcely aware of it. I have seen this happen so often, they were on fire for God once, now they are let down, nothing but wasted years, nothing to look back but regret and can't hardly get a hold of God and feel a real peace again. The bible plainly declares that in the last days men shall be lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, and that "because of sin, many shall wax cold." I know you don't want this to happen to you.

There is no greater joy than to see your children walk in the ways of the Lord. It is also true there is no greater sorrow than to see them grow careless and indifferent in their love for God.

You are parents and realize the weight and responsibility that is yours, you need to be very consistent and faithful when it comes to your responsibilities to God. Further, your example and consistency is influencing your children.

I have tried to talk to you about these things but I hope and pray I won't say anything wrong or

in the wrong way or do anything that would discourage you. I have brought you up in Sunday school and church. "O, God don't let me fail". I look around in church on Sundays and see so many with their children, like I use to do, and look around for my own children and grandchildren and wonder where they are.

These are the best years of your life. In them you should give of your best to him. The comming of the Lord can not be far off. The world will not become better, your children will have greater temptations to face than you had. They will need to be stronger than you have been, much depends upon you as a parent. I have tried to do my best and I am hoping and praying the Lord will keep his hand on you and protect you until you find him precious to your souls.

I hope and pray you will understand the spirit in which I write these things. I do not wish in any sense criticize you or be censorious, "God forbid", but I do feel a great responsibility for your spiritual welfare and would like to steer you by the danger points along the road if possible. I have always been very proud of you. You have never made me ashamed. I love you all, Oh so much. Now I have told you the weight I feel, I leave it with you.

I would of talked to you face to face, but find it difficult as I feel it so deeply and cannot restrain the tears. You must do as you wish, not to please me, but because you want to please the Lord.

With my prayers and hope to meet you all in heaven and the circle will not be broken...Love Mother

[No date on this letter, appears to be the last letter that Grandmother Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt, wife of Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt wrote. Was given to me after Uncle Chester died. Aunt Edith gave it to Dad and he sent it to me. What a wonderful and powerful mother's plea to her children to follow the Savior and avoid the wicked ways of this world. How humble and loving she was, just as I remember her. If I didn't know she was of the Assembly of God faith I would say she was a Latter Day Saint because she demonstrates in this letter Latter Day Saint (Mormon) principles and doctrine. I love her dearly and miss her, but I know she is waiting in the Celestial kingdom with her family and I hope each of MY children will heed her words of wisdom. I figure she wrote this close to the end of her life after the 1960's. Love you all...Dad]

2012 Reminiscing by Floyd Thomas Pratt 9 March 2012

When I was a young boy, my parents would drive from St. Louis to Bourbon, Missouri to visit my Grandmother Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt. The drive was long and tedious so, to pass the time I would play games in the car with my brothers.

One of those games was to see who could spot the Bourbon water tower first. The Bourbon water tower stood 50 or more feet up on steel stilts and could be seen from quite a distance down highway route 66.

Route 66 was a winding road and followed the contours of the landscape as characteristic of the gentle rolling hills of Missouri. From St. Louis to Bourbon was a long and tiresome drive and the roads were not as good as they are today with the new super highways.

The Bourbon water tower stood on a hill on Route 66, outside of Bourbon, and looked like a titan showing the way to Grandmother's house. Seeing the tower was an indication that we would be arriving at our destination shortly.

If we arrived on a Saturday, we would always stay overnight at her home, which was the old Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road and in my later years, was the home located across from my Great Uncle Virgil & Great Aunt Eula (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt's home behind her Pentecostal Church on Blue Springs Road.

We would all dress up in our Sunday best and attend church with Grandmother Rue and she was delighted that she could show off her son and his family to her Bourbon friends and family. Since, my parents took great pains to avoid the insides of a church their whole life, then this was amazing that Grandmother Rue could still exercise some form of influence over my father and have him agree to attend church with her.

I remember the inside of the church as small with rows of pews and being very hot in the summer. There were many people always in attendance and much excitement with song and testimonies. I remember they would pass around the basket for tithing and offerings and would hear the murmur from some of the attendees about the amount of money that someone gave or failed to give, in any case, this murmuring left an impression on my young mind and I always felt that tithe and offerings should be a private thing and not open to public scrutiny.

One of the attendees of the church, besides Great Uncle Virgil and Great Aunt Eula's family, was Charles "Charley" Thomas "Champ" & Joy Mildred (JOHNSON) Record family. Uncle Charley and Aunt Joy to me. Now I realize they were my Great Uncle Charley and Great Aunt Joy but at the time, being my Grandmother's sister, I always called her Aunt Joy, because that's what Dad called her.

She was a tall thin woman with not much weight on her bones but kind and loving and always helpful. Uncle Charley and Aunt Joy lived in a white house next to the church and after the main church meeting, the children would disperse to various locations for Sunday School lessons and at my age, our group would go to Uncle Charley and Aunt Joy's house and we held our lessons in the living room which was spacious.

Even though Aunt Joy was kind and loving, I can't say that about her husband...Charley.

Uncle Charley was a tall and also thin in stature and as I remember, very dark skinned...almost black. As an adult, I now realize why his skin was so dark but at the age of 5 or 6, I didn't understand.

Charley worked for Meramec Caverns as a tour guide and wore a visor on his head, you know, the kind of visor that had no top but covered his eyes from the sun. Due to his constant exposure to the outdoors, his skin received much sun and he darkened with a deep dark suntan.

Another peculiar thing about Great Uncle Charley...was his hair. His hair was long and thick, I would say 4 or 5 inches and coal black and when he put on the visor, the visor would push his long hair **straight up** and would stay like that even after he took his visor off!!!

I remember being at his house one time and he came home from work and with his dark skin and white eyes, he took off his visor and his hair was standing straight up. I became frightened by this sight and ran to my father for protection.

Now, in Uncle Charley's defense, he didn't purposely try to scare me but just the sight of his dark face, white eyes and long black hair standing straight up on his head, did the job.

After years of association with Charley Record, I started to call him "scare me Charley". Apparently, I was describing what I was feeling at that tender age.

Every time, I saw him, even with his hat on or hair combed, I called him "scare me Charley". That was my name for Charley Record. I remember my father; trying to consol me and holding me for protection but I also remember they all got a good laugh out of my perceived fear.

As a child, he looked scary, but now, as I look back on that event, secure in the knowledge that it was not intentional and no harm was intended.

In retrospect, I remember, on several occasions, in my adult life, after beginning my family history research in 1975, walking through the Old Record family cemetery located on the old Thomas Hargis & Melzena Ann (**PINSON**) Record farm, which had overgrown with weeds up to my waist and only a few headstones could be read, and thinking of "scare me Charley" and the love I now have for him and his family.

Through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, I have been inspired to do my family history research and perform the Temple work necessary to reunite these families. In addition to the blessings I receive from my Temple experiences, I get to share with my readers, humorous anecdotes concerning some of these wonderful and extraordinary people.

In a way, I am blessed by my association with them, blessed by performing their temple ordinances and blessed in the knowledge that we will all be together again. In other words, family history research performed for the right reasons is a win, win situation for everybody.

Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 9 March 2012

Children from this marriage were:

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i. Mary Edith (PRATT) was born on 22 February 1920 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 5 September 2011 in Rolla Hospital, Rolla, Meramec Township, Phelps, Missouri, United States at age 91, and was buried on 9 September 2011 in Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.



Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Mary Edith (PRATT) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2013

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your

family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1920 Birthblock of Mary Edith (PRATT) daughter of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander & Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Mary Edith Pratt was born at Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp,

Crawford, Missouri, United States on 22 February 1920.

Date from the Birth Cerificate states she was born 22 February 1920 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states she was born 1920 in Missouri.

Date from 1940 census states she was born 1920 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from a newspaper death notice states she was born

Date from the funeral home records states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born

Date from the obituary states she was born

This would have been at the Johnson House on the corner of Blue Springs Road and Walnut Street. Owned by her grandfather; James Millard Johnson Sr. who allowed his daughter, Rue and son-n-law Lum Pratt to live in after they were married. There is a picture of this house in the Johnson-Barton file.

1920 Birth Certificate of Mary Edith (PRATT)

Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Certificate of Birth, State File #6970. Columbus Pratt was 26 years old and farming. Rue Flavilla Johnson was 26 and a house keeper. Mary Edith was born 22 Feb 1920.

1921 Childbirth of brother; Carl Benjamin Pratt

Carl Benjamin Pratt was born at Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 25 November 1921.

1924 Childbirth of brother; Roy Lee Pratt

Roy Lee Pratt was born at Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 November 1924.

1924-1927 Family Move

Roy was born in Bourbon and Dad told me he was born at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri. Therefore they left the Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road and moved to the Uhlinger Farm between 1924-1927.

1927 Childbirth of brother; Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt

Floyd Theodore Pratt was born at the Unlinger Farm, outside of Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1927.

1929 Childbirth of sister; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadine Wilma Pearl Pratt was born at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 5 April 1929.

1930 Federal Census age 9

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177a, 8 April 1930, line 8, house 24, family 24

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 36; Rue F. wife w f 36; Mary E. dau w f 10; Carl D. son w m 8; Roy L. son w m 5; Floyd T. son w m 3; Nadine W. dau w f 1 [All born in Missouri. Columbus parents born in Missouri, Rue says her father born in Illinois and mother born in South Carolina. Rue says she was 25 when she first got married. Columbus says he is a veteran of WWI.]

1931 Childbirth of brother; James Henry Pratt

James Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1931.

1935 Residency at the William and Harriett (KING) Barton house

At the corner of Cedar and Watkins Street in Bourbon was the house that Rue's grandparents' William and Harriet (**KING**) Barton built. William and Harriet lived near Vilander and moved after the 1880 census and before 1884 when daughter; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (**BARTON**) married to Judge James Millard Johnson. They lived in this house until their deaths in 1920-1922. son, Alonzo Zachariah "Lon" Barton rented this home to the Pratts.

1937 Social Security Card of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt [1] Columbus B. Pratt obtained a social security card date of issue June 30, 1937. [2] [Not in the SSDI]

<u>1938 Death of grandmother; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt</u>
Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp,
Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1938 Marriage of Chester Milford Skaggs and Mary Edith (PRATT)

[1] Saint Francois County Marriage Record Book 20, page 482 Chester Skaggs of Potosi, Washington County Missouri over the age of 21 and Mary Edith Pratt of Bourbon, Crawford County, Missouri over the age of 18 were married on Saturday, 25 June 1938 in Farmington, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States.

Research Note

Seventeen-year-old Mary Edith (**PRATT**) was her mother's right hand. Taking care of her brothers and little sister, was an ominous task. Not only was she required to attend Bourbon school on a daily basis but also the household duties associated with 4 brothers and 1 sister including her own homework left little time for a social life.

On the other hand, Chester Milford Skaggs, born in Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States 6 years her senior, a rugged handsome young man living in Potosi, Missouri working as a tiff miner seemed like a good opportunity to get away from the drudgeries of a small town life.

Where or when they met is unclear but a romance blossomed and young Mary Edit and Chester discussed marriage. I imagine when they presented their proposal to Lum and Rue; the idea of marriage at her age was not received well. Probably many arguments ensued with hurt feelings all the way around. If you entertain the idea that Edith was with child, then dismiss that idea since Edith could not have children and she was barren her whole life, hence they adopted.

The reason I feel that the marriage was not accepted with open arms is based on two observations. First, when Chester and Edith finally get married they do so in his birth county in Farmington, Saint Francois County, Missouri. You might jump to the conclusion that they married at his parent's home and you would be wrong. Chester's parents; Winfield "Winey" Curtis and Mary Catherine (**HAGGARD**) Skaggs were living in Potosi and had been for the last 10 years. Maybe the Skaggs were not too keen on this marriage either.

Second, when I asked my father, when at the age of 11 years old did he and his parents attend Aunt Edith's wedding down in Farmington in 1938 he stated they did not.

Bourbon to Farmington two counties away was a long distance and Lum had an old Ford pick-up truck by that time and if they wanted to go to the wedding they could have. On the other hand, if they did not want the neighbors to know their daughter was getting married at an early age then the marriage out of town may have been their idea. I don't think that was the scenario since after Chester and Edith were married they moved into the Johnson house with her parents as depicted in the 1940 census. The neighbors knew anyway.

So, it appears Chester and Edith without the support of either side of the family, eloped to Farmington and was married. I wonder why didn't Edith want her own pastor at her church in Bourbon marry them? Since both are gone at this point we really can't ask the questions. Also, from my experience, asking older family members about their actions that took place long ago will not yield the truth concerning those actions. I asked my birth mother why she and my father got a divorce when I was one year old and she said flippantly, "It was just one of those things".

Nevertheless, it appears once Chester and Edith were married the family decided to take them in and provided for them with a private apartment on the second floor of the Johnson house. Dad says that Edith and Chester lived on the second floor and the rest of the family, including grandpa Johnson lived on the first floor.

Dad also said that Chester made good money and he says when Edith would cook Chester's dinner, they could smell the pork chops cooking upstairs and it was driving them crazy downstairs because it smelled so good. FTP

1939 Death of sister; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**) died on 9 December 1939 at McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States.

1940-1944 Spouse Joins the U.S. Coast Guard during WWII

1940 Federal Census age 19

Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 4b, 15 April 1940, line 49. house 79

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 46; Rue wife w f 46; Roy son w m 15; Floyd son w m 13; James son w m 9; **JOHNSON**, James M. father-in-law w m 85, Lee E. Sr. brother-in-law w m 52; Lee E. Jr. son of brother-in-law w m 2; (house 80) **SKAGGS**, Chester head w m 25, <u>Mary Edith wife w f 20</u>

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James Millard Johnson Sr. died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 May 1941.

<u>1942 Selective Service Registration Card of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin</u> Alexander Pratt

27 April 1942 Columbus B. Pratt was issued a duplicate selective service registration card in Bourbon, Missouri.

1942 Employment of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt
11 May 1942 Columbus Pratt earned \$21.60 from the Allied Contracting Company and received a pay stub.

1944 Tax Form W-2 of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt Lum Pratt received a W-2 form from Gus Hartung dba Hartung Transportation Company in Bourbon, Missouri, for \$35.00.

1946 Registered Truck of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt 11 May 1946 C.B. Pratt registered a 1938 Ford Truck Stake body in Bourbon, MO.

1946 Driver's License of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt 18 July 1946, C.B. Pratt renewed his driver's license for 25 cents in Bourbon, MO.

1947 Hunting Permit of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt 5 May 1947, C.B. Pratt was issued a Hunting, Traping, and Fishing permit for \$2.15 by the State of Missouri. He was living in Bourbon, MO., 53 years of age, Brown hair, Blue eyes, 5' 10" tall, weight 190 lbs.

1947 Death of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 27 July 1947.

[1] Death Certificate: Missouri State Board of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics,

Standard Certificate of Death, State File #27188

Columbus B. Pratt was born November 1, 1893 in Crawford County, Missouri to Windsol (*sic*) Pratt unknown birthplace and Lara Missey unknown birthplace. His usual residence was Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri and his occupatuion was a stone mason. He was 53 years, 8 months and 1 day old when he died on July 27, 1947 at his home in Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri. He was buried at the New Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri on July 29, 1947 and the informant was Mrs. Rue Pratt of Bourbon, Missouri.

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[1] U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

Name: M. E. Skaggs Last Residence: 65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri BORN: 22 Feb 1920 Died: 5 Sep 2011 State (Year) SSN issued: Missouri (Before 1951)

2011 Burial of Mary Edith (PRATT) Skaggs

Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

2011 United States Obituary Collection

Name of Deceased: Mary Edith Skaggs Gender: F (Female) Age at Death: 91 Death Date: 5 Sep 2011 Obituary Date: 15 Sep 2011 Newspaper Title: Steelville Star Newspaper Location: Crawford Mirror, MO, USA Birth Date: 22 Feb 1920 Spouse's

Name: Chester Skaggs Parents' Names: Columbus and Rue Pratt Childrens' Names: Ruth Ann Hoerath Siblings' Names: Carl, Roy and James Pratt; Floyd and wife Dorothy Pratt of St. Clair, Missouri; Nadine Pratt Number of Grandchildren: 4 Number of Great-grandchildren: 8

Email to relatives and friends 7 September 2011

Hello all...for those of you who have not been informed as of yet...Aunt Edith passed away on the 5th.

Uncle Chester had already died on 10 June 2008 so he has been preparing for her arrival. Uncle Chester and Aunt Edith took care of me during the transition period when Dad and my birth mother: Delores separated and divorced in 1948. Dad didn't start dating Dorothy (BEDNAREK) until September of 1948 and they were married February 1949. Dad needed help with this newborn and soon to be a toddler so he took me out from St. Louis where he worked and left me with Uncle Chester and Aunt Edith in Bourbon for several days maybe even a week. And I was left with others often. This was a blessing for all but had a serious side effect that no one was prepared for...Aunt Edith became attached to me and wanted to adopt me from my Dad so she could raise me. Dad didn't want that and the pain of having someone in your life and someone takes them away from you is always there. But, Chester and Edith were good people and turned out to make great parents. After all, who is ever satisfied with the way they were raised? I shall share a story...after I joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints I was so excited about finding the Lord's church I wanted to share it with everybody I knew. I shared it with Dad and Mom and all that I knew including Aunt Edith. One day while visiting her and Uncle Chester I informed Aunt Edith that there were there levels of Heaven. She didn't believe me so I opened up her Bible and turned to 1 Corinthians 15:41 and read to her..."There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star different from another star in glory." She said, "You put that in there!", I said it was her Bible, the Lord put that in there and laughed because she wouldn't believe it. Those of you who are Latter Day Saints, know that Bonnie and I will perform her temple ordnances when the time has come. Uncle Chester, since his passing has gotten around. Checking his temple work I found that he was baptized in the Ciudad Juarez Mexico Temple, confirmed in the Nauvoo Illinois Temple, received his initiatory in the Provo Utah Temple, Endowed in the Orlando Florida Temple and sealed to his parents in the São Paulo Brazil Temple. We Latter Day Saints believe that when we perform Temple ordnances by proxy for those who have crossed over they are permitted to attend those ordnances and be there when the ordnances are performed, so Uncle Chester got to see 5 different Temples in 3 different countries! Her funeral will be conducted on Thursday by the Britton Funeral Home in Cuba, Missouri, if you wish to send flowers, and her interment will be on Friday in the Bourbon Cemetery. Her son Danny and his wife Sherie's phone number is 1-573-732-4066. Aunt Edith was a fun loving lady, who symbolized purity in heart and I am sure she will be busy with Uncle Chester as her guide across the veil. Your Dad, Cuz and Brother in Christ, Floyd Thomas Pratt

Posted on facebook 11 September 2011

Once again, my condolences to you and your family for the passing of both of your parents, recently with Aunt Edith. They both were good hard working people and through a conditon of circumstance they almost were my parents. When we would attend family reunions there in Bourbon, Uncle Chester was always the family patriach

and called upon to offer the blessing before each meal. This was right and a well deserved honor reflecting to even those who were not religious that this was a revered and beloved man of Lord. After being a husband for 39 years, I realize that it is not the man that makes him great but the woman behind the man that keeps him on the straight and narrow. Aunt Edith was such a woman...strong, deicated and always a good example of the stalwart strong wives who produce good, well beloved men in this world. I have often said, if I have done any good in the world it is because I am a reflection of the Saviour. But I also add, with a strong woman besides me, who also reflects the Saviour's love and devotion to her spouse, nothing can not be accomplished. The lives of Uncle Chester and Aunt Edith were lived as an exemplary example of the manifestation of the Saviour's love for all us. When I think of Uncle Chester and Aunt Edith, I think of them as a divine refection of the Saviour's love for mankind. They are sorely missed...but only for a short while. Floyd Thomas Pratt

2011 Posted on Find-A-Grave but later removed

http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GRid=76912215 Mary Edith (**PRATT**) born 22 February 1920 in the James Millard Johnson Sr. home on Walnut Street and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, daughter of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander [1893-1947] & Rue Flavilla [1894-1983] (**JOHNSON**) Pratt.

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1924-1927 Family Move

Roy was born in Bourbon and Dad (Floyd) told me he was born at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri. Therefore they left the Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road and moved to the Uhlinger Farm between 1924-1927.

1927 Childbirth of brother; Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt Floyd Theodore Pratt was born at the Unlinger Farm, outside of Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1927.

1929 Childbirth of sister; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) Nadine Wilma Pearl Pratt was born at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 5 April 1929.

1930 Federal Census age 9

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177a, 8 April 1930, line 8, house 24, family 24

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 36; Rue F. wife w f 36; Mary E. dau w f 10; Carl D. son w m 8; Roy L. son w m 5; Floyd T. son w m 3; Nadine W. dau w f 1 [All born in Missouri. Columbus parents born in Missouri, Rue says her father born in Illinois and mother born in South Carolina. Rue says she was 25 when she first got

married. Columbus says he is a veteran of WWI.]

1931 Childbirth of brother; James Henry Pratt James Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1931.

1938 Death of grandmother; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY) Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY) died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1938 Marriage of Chester Milford Skaggs and Mary Edith (PRATT)
[1] Saint Francois County, Missouri Marriage Record Book 20, page 482
Chester Skaggs of Potosi, Washington County Missouri over the age of 21 and Mary
Edith Pratt of Bourbon, Crawford County, Missouri over the age of 18 were married on
25 June 1938 in Farmington, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States.

1939 Death of sister; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) died on 9 December 1939 at McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States.

1940-1944 Husband Chester joins the U.S. Coast Guard during WWII

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Aunt Edith had an infectious laugh, one of those good hardy laughs that made you laugh with her.

She always had a kind work and helped many through her chartiy and unselfesh acts for others and her community.

They lived their whole lives in the Bourbon Community and in the later years, Uncle Chester and Aunt Edith had left their apartment in Bourbon and were both moved to the Gibbs Care Center/ Gibbs Manor, 311 N. Spring St., Steelville, MO 65565.

Both were hard of hearing. I had tried to call Uncle Chester last year (2007) and he could not hear me very well and he could not figure out who I was.

After Uncle Chester's death in 2008, the only way I could communicate with Aunt Edith was through letters I wrote about family history.

Earlier, this year, I sent her a packet of all kinds of pictures and stories and was informed that she passed on at the Rolla Hospital, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 5 September 2011.

Both Uncle Chester and Aunt Edith were people who were not afraid to call the Savior their friend and tried to live his precepts and principles.

Their lifestyle is an example to the rest of us, that it takes courage to live the Gospel and together we can be a force for good on this earth, and you would not be in harm's way if you were to emulate them. They are sorely missed. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

Email to various recipents 19 November 2011

Hello again...when you access that website at www.familysearch.org where you actually want to go to is the Historical Records section that is where you can blanket search their various records. <a href="https://www.familysearch.org/search/records#count=20&query=%2Bgivenname%3A%22Emit%20Roy%22~%20%2Bsurname%3ADavison~%20%2Bdeath_place%3A%22Emit%20Roy%22~%20%2Bsurname%3ADavison~%20%2Bdeath_place%3A%22Tennessee%2C%20United%20States%22~%20%2Bdeath_year%3A1945-1947 https://www.familysearch.org/search/records

This is an example, click on Refine your Search and you will see how easy it is to research any State's records.

The Pilot Program that some of you have mentioned has been converted to this Family Search site and they are adding new data daily.

The Church is planning on opening up NEW Family Search to non-members soon which will give you access to the billions of records that we have been sending into the Church for 150 years!

Up until now only members could access those records. The difference is that nonmembers will not be able to see the Temple ordinance information but you will be able to see all the other data on an individual.

The information in the temple records had to be verified and researched and usually is more accurate that can be found elsewhere.

For those of you who are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, I want to share with you the genealogy program I have been using for the last 4 years. Legacy is free at http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/ and you can buy the Deluxe version for a one time fee of \$30.

What makes this program superior in my opinion is the ease in which you can transfer records from Legacy to the Temple and vice versa with just a click of the button.

You can also send your ancestors to the Temple with just a click of the button. I have over 850 lines waiting for their ordnances and because the Temple is doing the proxies, they will one day be completed.

I send around 10-20 people everyday to the temple using this program and have held classes to teach other members how to use the new features.

If you are a member and want to do yourself a favor, then download Legacy and import your current database as a gedcom file into legacy.

You can ask me questions on how to make the program work or if you get confused, Legacy has training videos at their website you can watch for free.

I paid \$60 for the Deluxe version including videos on discs and books back in 2007 and have not had to pay anything else even with 4 annual updates.

It truly is easy to use and work with and can produce books of your family history as a .pdf file so you can email to others.

Even if you are not a member of the church you will find it's record keeping progressive and easy to use.

Thanks for your kind words and comments, this really is fun and too bad I don't have my youth back so I could make more road trips and find new data about my ancestors. But, that pleasure will belong to the next generation. Flovd

PS: When my Uncle Jim died back in 1999 his wife, my Aunt Juanita used to call him her honey. I did Uncle Jim's Temple work for him in July 2003 in the Orlando Temple. When Aunt Juanita became ill and was sick and close to crossing the veil in 2003, as she lay in her hospital bed, with family and friends, she turned towards the doorway of her hospital room and pointed and said, "There's my honey" and died shortly after. Apparently Uncle Jim who had his Temple work done in July of 2003 accepted the work and was allowed to escort his wife across the veil when she died in October 2003. Neither one of them were very religious or attended church but the witnesses stated this was a true event.

My Aunt Edith has been deaf for the last 10 years and we had to write letters to her in order for her to communicate back to us. On the day she died, her hearing cleared up and she could talk and communicate as if she had never been deaf, then she passed over. (5 September 2011) This astonished everyone at her nursing home including family and friends.

Don't take the Gospel too lightly, it is true and don't be like the rest of the world and wait for someone else to do your temple work, but investigate the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints now and find out for yourself what millions around the world already know and enjoy the blessings of doing your own Temple ordinances. Your brother in Christ, Floyd Thomas Pratt

Mary married Chester Milford Skaggs, son of Winfield Curtis "Winey" Skaggs and Mary Catherine (HAGGARD), on 25 June 1938 in Farmington, Saint Francois Township, Saint Francois County, Missouri, United States. Marriage status: married until widowed. Chester was born on 23 July 1914 in Bonne Terre, Perry Township, Saint Francois County, Missouri, United States, died on 10 June 2008 in Gibbs Care Center, 311 North Spring Street, Steelville, Meramec Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States at age 93, and was buried on 14 June 2008 in Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.



<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Chester Milford Skaggs by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C.,</u> M.A.G.I. 2013

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1914 Birthblock for Chester Milford Skaggs son of Winfield "Winey" Curtis & Mary Catherine

(HAGGARD) Skaggs

Chester Milford Skaggs was born in Bonne Terre, Perry Township, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 23 July 1914.

Date from 1920 census states he was born 1915 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states he was born

Date from 1940 census states he was born 1915 in Missouri.

Date from the WWII military involvement states he was born

Verbal confirmation of 23 July 1914 from Uncle Chester.

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from the funeral notice states he was born 23 July 1914.

Date from the obituary states he was born July 23, 1914 in Bonne Terre, Missouri.

Date from a newspaper death notice states he was born

Date from the funeral home records states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born

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1920 Federal Census age 6

Francis Street, Bonne Terre City, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States, page 34b & 35a, 20 January 1920, line 100, house 475, family 485

SKAGGS, Winfield C. head w m 45; [page 35a] Mary C. wife w f 33; James W. son w m 13; Chester M. son w m 5

[All born in Missouri including parents. Winfield owned his home and it was free of a mortgage. Winny was a driller at a lead mine.]

1921 Childbirth of sister; Hazel Marie (SKAGGS)

Hazel Marie (**SKAGGS**) was born in Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 19 February 1921.

1924 Death of grandfather; James Grundy Skaggs

James Grundy Skaggs died in Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 14 August 1924.

1930 Federal Census age 16

Can't locate him yet.

1931 Death of step-grandmother; Alice McClennan (WHITAKER) Skaggs

Alice McClennan (WHITAKER) Skaggs died at City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 30 March 1931.

1935 Chester's residencey in Potosi, Breton Township, Washington, Missouri, United States

According to the 1940 Federal Census Chester Skaggs was living in Potosi, Missouri. Dad says that he was working in the Tiff mines in the area.

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Chester Skaggs of Potosi, Washington County Missouri over the age of 21 and Mary Edith Pratt of Bourbon, Crawford County, Missouri over the age of 18 were married on 25 June 1938 in

Farmington, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States. [2] Barton Blue Book, page 484.

Research Note

Seventeen-year-old Mary Edith (**PRATT**) was her mother's right hand. Taking care of her brothers and little sister, was an ominous task. Not only was she required to attend Bourbon school on a daily basis but also the household duties associated with 4 brothers and 1 sister including her own homework left little time for a social life.

On the other hand, Chester Milford Skaggs, born in Bonne Terre, Perry Township, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States 6 years her senior, a rugged handsome young man living in Potosi, Missouri working as a tiff miner seemed like a good opportunity to get away from the drudgeries of a small town life.

Where or when they met is unclear but a romance blossomed and young Mary Edith and Chester discussed marriage. I imagine when they presented their proposal to Lum and Rue; the idea of marriage at her age was not received well. Probably many arguments ensued with hurt feelings all the way around. If you entertain the idea that Edith was with child, then dismiss that idea since Edith could not have children and she was barren her whole life, hence they adopted.

The reason I feel that the marriage was not accepted with open arms is based on two observations. First, when Chester and Edith finally get married they do so in his birth county in Farmington, Saint Francois County, Missouri. You might jump to the conclusion they married at his parent's home and you would be wrong. Chester's parents; Winfield "Winey" Curtis and Mary Catherine (HAGGARD) Skaggs were living in Potosi and had been for the last 10 years. Maybe the Skaggs were not too keen on this marriage either.

Second, when I asked my father, (Floyd Theodore Pratt), Edith's brother, when at the age of 11 years old did he and his parents attend Aunt Edith's wedding down in Farmington in 1938 he stated they did not.

Bourbon to Farmington two counties away was a long distance and Lum had an old Ford pick-up truck by that time and if they wanted to go to the wedding they could have. On the other hand, if they did not want the neighbors to know their daughter was getting married at an early age then the marriage out of town may have been their idea. I don't think this was the scenario since after Chester and Edith were married they moved into the Johnson house with HER parents as depicted in the 1940 census. The neighbors knew anyway.

So, it appears Chester and Edith without the support of either side of the family, eloped to Farmington and was married. I wonder why didn't Edith want her own pastor at her church in Bourbon marry them? Since both are gone at this point we really can't ask the questions. Also, from my experience, asking older family members about their actions that took place long ago will not yield the truth concerning those actions. I asked my birth mother why she and my father got a divorce when I was one year old and she said flippantly, "It was just one of those things".

Nevertheless, it appears once Chester and Edith were married the family decided to take them in and provided for them with a private apartment on the second floor of the Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon. Dad says Edith and Chester lived on the second floor and the rest of the family, including grandpa; James Millard Johnson Sr. lived on the first floor.

Dad also said Chester made good money and he says when Edith would cook Chester's dinner, they could smell the pork chops cooking upstairs and it was driving them crazy downstairs because it smelled sooo good. FTP

1940-1944 U.S. Coast Guard during WWII

Uncle Chester joined the U.S. Coast Guard after the 1940 census and before his discharge in 1944. Checking with the Missouri Adjacent General's office might reveal his military documents.

1940 Federal Census age 26

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Story

When Uncle Chester and Aunt Edith began to get old, they decided they could not keep up with their responsibilities of keeping a large house so they gave the house to their son, Danny and his family with the stipulation that Danny would pay for the monthly rent of their apartment in Bourbon. This arrangement worked well for everyone.

Story

Dad says one day while he was visitng Chester and Edith he walked in their home and asked Edith where Chester was...Edith said downstairs in the basement. Dad went down to see Chester who was cracking black walnuts and digging out the meat. He asked Uncle Chester what he was doing down here and Uncle Chester said,"to get away from her" pointing with his thumb in a upwardly direction. No matter how long you are married you still have to work hard to keep it together.

Story

Uncle Chester used to love black walnuts and would take the time to fill ziplock lunch bags with fresh walnut kernels. I would send him fresh oranges from Florida and he would send me bags of black walnuts kernels. I believe I got the better deal. Thank you Uncle Chester.-Floyd Thomas Pratt

Character

Uncle Chester was a man of great personal conviction. As long as I can remember he and Aunt Edith attended the Assembly of God Church in Bourbon, Missouri. I can never remember a vile word or unkind statement spoken by Uncle Chester. When we attended the Pratt-Graddy family reunions each September, Uncle Chester was the patriarch of all the families and was always asked to give the benediciton before each meal.

Before his death, in early June 2008 their church, First Assemby of God in Bourbon, Missouri gave a combined membership and wedding aniversary celabration party at their church on Uncle chester and Aunt Edith's behalf. The church membership celabration was for 58 years of church membership in the Assemby of God and on the 25th of June 2008 was their 70th year wedding aniversary.

Also, I found many newspaper articles back in the 1920's & 1930's where Uncle Chester was cited with honor in the Cuba newspaper for contributing to his community through volunteer work.

2008 Death of Chester Milford Skaggs

Chester Milford Skaggs died at the Gibbs Care Center, 311 North Spring Street, Steelville, Meramec Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 June 2008.

Research Note

Uncle Chester for the past several years has suffered from heart attacks and his impending demise has been known and prepared for by his friends and family. He and Aunt Edith had left their apartment in Bourbon and were both moved to the Gibbs Care Center/ Gibbs Manor, 311 N.

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2008 Burial of Chester Milford Skaggs

Funeral services were at the First Assemby of God Church, Bourbon, Missouri. The viewing was on Friday, June 13th with the funeral on Saturary June 14th same day burial. Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Social Security Death Index

Name:Chester M. Skaggs SSN:489-14-0781 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri Born:23 Jul 1914 Died:10 Jun 2008 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

2008 Obituary of Chester Milford Skaggs

Three Rivers Publishing Wednesday, 18 June 2008 Chester M. Skaggs contributed by staff Chester Milford Skaggs of Bourbon, Missouri was born to the union of Winfield C. and Mary Catherine (Haggard) Skaggs on July 23, 1914 in Bonne Terre, Missouri and passed away Tuesday, June 10, 2008 in Steelville, Missouri at the age of 93 years, 10 months and 17 days. He was united in marriage to Edith Pratt on June 25, 1938 in Farmington, Missouri and to this union one son was born. Together they shared 69 years of marriage. Chester retired from the I.B.E.W. Local No. 257 in Jefferson City, Missouri after many years of service. He was a 58 year faithful and dedicated member of the First Assembly of God Church of Bourbon, Missouri and served as past secretary of the church. He was a member of the Crawford County American Legion Post # 81. He served as treasurer for the Crawford County Senior Tax Board and he did a lot of community service work including the Bourbon Senior Center where he delivered meals to seniors in their homes for a number of years. In his spare time he enjoyed fishing, hunting, coin and stamp collecting, but most of all what he enjoyed was spending time with his family and being active at his church. Chester proudly served his Country in U.S. Coast Guard during WWII. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, James Skaggs; two sisters, Goldie and Laura and other relatives. He is survived by his wife; one son Danny and wife Sheree Skaggs of Bourbon, Missouri; special daughter, Ruth Ann and husband Herman Hoerath of Bourbon, Missouri; one sister, Hazel Richards of Hillsboro, Missouri; four grandchildren, Tracie Ware of Bourbon, Missouri, Stacie Williams of Texas, Meghenn and Mitchell Bax of St. Peters, Missouri;

great grandchildren; other relatives and friends. Visitation was held Friday, June 13, 2008 from 5-9 p.m. at First Assembly of God Church, Bourbon, Missouri with an American Legion Service at 7 p.m. Funeral was Saturday, June 14, 2008 at 10 a.m. at First Assembly of God Church, Bourbon

with Pastor James Austin,

officiating. Interment in the Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri with full military honors. Arrangements under the direction of the Britton Funeral Home of Cuba, Missouri. Three Rivers Publishing

<u>Posted on Find-a-Grave on 22 September 2011 by Nephew: Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C.,</u> M.A.G.I.

Chester Milford Skaggs born 23 July 1914 in Bonne Terre, Perry Township, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States son of Winfield Curtis "Winey" [1875-1955] & Mary Catherine [1886-1969] (HAGGARD)Skaggs.

Chester stayed in the Saint Francois County area; until on 25 June 1938 he married Mary Edith (**PRATT**) in Farmington, Perry Township, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States.

Mary Edith (**PRATT**) born 22 February 1920 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States daughter of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander [1893-1947] & Rue Flavilla [1894-1983] (**JOHNSON**) Pratt.

Between 1940-1944 Chester joined the US Coast Guard.

1950 Chester Milford Skaggs and Mary Edith (**PRATT**) Skaggs joined the Bourbon Assembly of God Church. They attended this church with faithful service for over 58 years.

With a profound love for children, and finding they could not have children of their own, they decided to adopt and adopted Daniel Paul Skaggs, whom has been a faithful and obedient son and much comfort to his parents, bringing them the opportunity to love and be loved as they desired.

In his early years, Chester became a skilled electrician with the Crawford Electric Co-op and gave service until his retirement. Retiring from the I.B.E.W. Local No. 257 in Jefferson City, Missouri after many years of service.

In the early 1940's and 1950's the Cuba Free Press newspaper has many accounts where Chester had contributed his times, money and effort to charitable endeavors.

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Uncle Chester was a man of great personal conviction. As long as I can remember he and Aunt Edith attended the Assembly of God Church in Bourbon, Mo. I can never remember a vile word or unkind statement spoken by Uncle Chester. When we attended the Pratt-Graddy family reunions, Uncle Chester was the patriarch of all the families and gave the benediction before each meal.

Uncle Chester was indeed the physical manifestation of the type of man the Savior would wrap his arms around and say, "Good and faithful servant, Ye are my friend, good job well done." Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

Research Note

My above FAG entry no longer exists as it is written here. When I created the entry I always gave a full Cradle to Grave Profile for the memorial. I removed my original entry due to unethical practices by the Find A Grave administration. Read my 2 nd report, "**Why I STILL can no longer support www.findagrave.com**" for details. Due to their unscrupulous practices, I have severed my relationship with the Find A Grave organization. I have asked them to remove all memorials, flowers and any references relating or mentioning my account. I have had an uneasy relationship with their administration for the last 5 years and in my opinion, they have lost faith and violated the public trust. I continue to list various Find A Grave memorials in my publications strictly to affix the burial locations in my reports. Most memorial data on Find A Grave is in conflict with the facts and should not be accepted without research validation.

ii. Carl Benjamin Pratt was born on 25 November 1921 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 21 July 2004 in Bellefontaine Neighbors, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States at age 82, and was buried on 24 July 2004 in Saint Johns Evangelical Cemetery, 1293 Saint Cyr Road, Bellfountain Neighbors, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States.

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Carl Benjamin Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2013

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1921 Birthblock of Carl Benjamin Pratt son of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander & Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Carl Benjamin Pratt was born at Blue Springs Road, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 25 November 1921. This would have been at the Johnson House on the corner of Blue Springs Road and Walnut Street. Owned by James Millard Johnson Sr. who allowed his daughter, Rue and son-n-law Lum Pratt to live in after they were married. There is a picture of this house in the Johnson-Barton file. [1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Birth Certificate State File #58660.

Carl Benjamin Pratt white male born 25 November 1921 at 11:30 pm at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri to Columbus Pratt white male 27 years old, blacksmith and Rue Johnson white female 26 years, housewife. Both parents born in Missouri. Number of children born to this mother 2, number of children now living 2, born to full term. Date from the 1930 census stats he was born 1922 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census stats he was born

Date from the WWII military involvement states he was born

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from a newspaper death notice states he was born

Date from the funeral home records states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born

Date from the SSDI states he was born 25 November 1921.

Date from the obituary states he was born

1924 Childbirth of brother; Roy Lee Pratt

Roy Lee Pratt was born at Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 November 1924.

1924-1927 Family Move

Roy was born in Bourbon and Dad told me he was born at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri. Therefore they left the Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road and moved to the Uhlinger Farm between 1924-1927.

1927 Childbirth of brother; Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt

Floyd Theodore Pratt was born at the Unlinger Farm, outside of Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1927.

1929 Childbirth of sister; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadine Wilma Pearl Pratt was born at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 5 April 1929 .

1930 Federal Census age 9

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177a, 8 April 1930, line 8, house 24, family 24

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 36; Rue F. wife w f 36; Mary E. dau w f 10; Carl

<u>D. son w m 8</u>; Roy L. son w m 5; Floyd T. son w m 3; Nadine W. dau w f 1 [All born in Missouri. Columbus parents born in Missouri, Rue says her father born in Illinois and mother born in South Carolina. Rue says she was 25 when she first got married. Columbus says he is a veteran of WWI.]

1931 Childbirth of brother; James Henry Pratt

James Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1931.

1935 Residency at the William and Harriett (KING) Barton house

At the corner of Cedar and Watkins Street in Bourbon was the house that Rue's grandparents' William and Harriet (**KING**) Barton built. William and Harriet lived near Vilander and moved after the 1880 census and before 1884 when daughter; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (**BARTON**) married to Judge James Millard Johnson. They lived in this house until their deaths in 1920-1922. son, Alonzo Zachariah "Lon" Barton rented this home to the Pratts.

1937 Social Security Card of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

[1] Columbus B. Pratt obtained a social security card date of issue June 30, 1937. [2] [Not in the SSDI]

1938 Death of grandmother; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1939 Death of sister; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**) died on 9 December 1939 at McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States.

1939 Service in the US Navy

1940 Federal Census age 19

1941 Death of grandfather; James Millard Johnson Sr.

James Millard Johnson Sr. died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 May 1941.

1942 Selective Service Registration Card of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

27 April 1942 Columbus B. Pratt was issued a duplicate selective service registration card in Bourbon, Missouri.

1942 Employment of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

11 May 1942 Columbus Pratt earned \$21.60 from the Allied Contracting Company and received a pay stub.

1944 Tax Form W-2 of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Lum Pratt received a W-2 form from Gus Hartung dba Hartung Transportation Company in Bourbon, Missouri, for \$35.00.

1945 Marriage of Carl Benjamin Pratt and Mary Theresa (BRESCIA) Caro

Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland Marriage Record Book Page: Carl B. Pratt and Mary F. Caro were married in Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, United States on 3 January 1945.

Research Note

Uncle Carl was either on leave from the Navy or had been discharged when he was in Baltimore, Maryland. He met and began a courtship with a beautiful 23-year-old girl, named Mary Theresa (**BRESCIA**) Caro.

Mary had been previously married circa 1940-1945 to Peter Caro, which ended in a divorce. Mary is the daughter of James Vincenzo "Vincent" and Maria Teresa Concetta (**RIMOLA**) Brescia from Italy. Devoted Catholics, the James and Maria were not pleased with their daughter's divorce, which was contrary to their Catholic beliefs.

All through her adult life, Aunt Mary never talked about her first marriage and was always made to feel ashamed because of the divorce. No one else in Uncle Carl's family really cared, but nevertheless Aunt Mary carried that stigmatism with her, her whole life and felt she was unjustly persecuted and rightly so.

Aunt Mary was a wonderful woman and Uncle Carl was lucky to have such a loving and devoted partner. After, their marriage, Uncle Carl brought his new bride home to meet his parents. According to Dad, some of the Pratt family members were not too keen on a Catholic bride in the family since most of Pratts were Pentecostal and eventually became Assembly of God churchgoers. The scriptures are very clear where the Lord states that one should marry within their tribe, clan and race and share a common background with the same goals and aspirations. However, when did mankind ever obey their Heavenly Father and take his advice?

In order for you to understand what Carl and Mary were up against, let me explain the religious atmosphere in a small rural American town. Most people went to church because their parents took them to church when they were children. These families would build long lasting friendships and acquaintances even to the extent of doing business with the people you went to church with.

As the small town grew, new ideas and different peoples from strange cultures began to move into the community. Instead of a Baptist Church, now their was a Methodist Church, and then a Lutheran Church, then a Catholic Church and as these churches moved into the community and started to establish themselves, families based on ignorance taught their children the evils of those varying churches.

This built a prejudice against each religion and this intolerance had its roots in Lucifer's philosophy. From the beginning of time, Lucifer has always known that to conquer the saints, one much separate and divide.

Bourbon was no exception. The competition between the churches and the preachers were so severe as to turn the community into a war zone. I remember reading in newspapers that in the early 1900's, one group of citizens would plot and burn down

another church and members of opposing churches reciprocated those acts of violence.

The seeds of religious prejudice were planted in the minds of the children at an early age and these religious "clicks" were not very kind to others with opposing viewpoints.

This lack of tolerance was standard in a small community and unfortunately this was the prevalent attitude that Carl and Mary found when he went home to introduce his bride.

Millions of young men and woman who had gone away to war, had seen events and horrors coupled with beautiful places meeting a variety of peoples and cultures that removed any and all prejudices they may have harbored before the war. Their new attitude was live and let live and to each his own.

This open-minded freshness, carried over not only to the choices of their marriage partners but to the very occupations they had been trained to do prior to the war and now with an expansion of experiences, duties and knowledge, they didn't want to work at the same jobs they had before the war.

Young men did not go home and take over the family business; especially after they had been trained and educated to do more complex and financially rewarding professions. Dad says when he returned from the war, he helped his Dad built a barn out of local rock. Dad had to carry a large pallet of rocks on his shoulder up a ladder onto the roof of a barn, in the heat of the summer and said to himself, there's got to be a better way to earn a living.

This was the case with each of Lum and Rue's children who came back from the war. None of the boys wanted a backbreaking career such as stone masonry and all chose to engage in less demanding hard labor and each one prospered in their own professions.

However, the prejudices and close-minded attitudes that prevailed in small communities could not be avoided and these attitudes created hardship and hurt feelings among the community members.

Not everyone in the Pratt family found fault with Carl's new bride and offered her unconditional Christian love as depicted in the scriptures. Rue and the Skaggs family attended the Pentecostal Church as well as aunts, uncles and friends. However, Lum never found much value in church and did not attend with his family. It wasn't until near his death he professed a belief in the Savior.

The Savior is not interested in deathbed confessions, but is more interested in how you lived his teachings during your life. He realizes that all people will sin, and through the atonement he has taken care of that penalty, however, living a Christian life on a daily basis is most important. He wants each and every one of us to be tested and challenged throughout our lives to see if we will choose the right or the easy path. Living the gospel principals is more important...not professing them.

The first step to recognizing the correct path is to become familiar with the scriptures and teachings of the gospel. This is why he instructs parents to attend church with their children. Without knowing the rules or gospel principals, how can you learn how to be a

good example and teach your family from making poor choices? And if you choose to learn and teach others the gospel, then the Lord blesses you and your family, even if you fail at living up to these principals...he still rewards you for trying...after repentance.

But, the atmosphere concerning Carl and Mary when he returned home was very uncomfortable and I don't know what was said or who said it, but they moved to St. Louis and raised their family far from Bourbon.

I remember when attending the family reunions in Bourbon when I was a child, the buzz was always..."Are Carl and Mary coming to the family reunion?" Sometimes they came and sometimes they did not. Hurtful, unkind words had damaged their relationship with his side of the family and these damaged feelings created distant aloof associations lasting until their death.

Individually, all were welcomed at Uncle Carl and Aunt Mary's home but they avoided the family reunions and other get-togethers.

However, when I reached adulthood, I found Uncle Carl and Aunt Mary wonderful people and I remember fellowshipping with their son; Johnny who played the saxophone and was in his high school's orchestra school band that played for my 1967 Senior Prom at Pattonville High School in St. Ann, Missouri.

I always felt it foolish and hypocritical that others judged others base on their religious affiliation. Too many fights, misunderstandings, disagreements have taken place within families and countries because someone doesn't agree with someone else's religious affiliations. The scriptures are very clear; that we will be judged on how each of us lived according to the scriptures we knew and understood regardless of what church we belonged to. How sad that all those years of love and fellowship with family members were lost due to prejudices and misunderstandings.

Nevertheless, Uncle Carl and Aunt Edith were wonderful people and raised great children and if their religion made them better people and closer to their Heavenly Father then that is all the Lord can ask and as for me...I miss them dearly. FTP

1946 Registered Truck of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt 11 May 1946 C.B. Pratt registered a 1938 Ford Truck Stake body in Bourbon, MO.

1946 Driver's License of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt 18 July 1946, C.B. Pratt renewed his driver's license for 25 cents in Bourbon, MO.

1947 Hunting Permit of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt 5 May 1947, C.B. Pratt was issued a Hunting, Traping, and Fishing permit for \$2.15 by the State of Missouri. He was living in Bourbon, MO., 53 years of age, Brown hair, Blue eyes, 5' 10" tall, weight 190 lbs.

<u>1947 Death of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt</u>
Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 27 July 1947.

1948 Childbirth of daughter; Carol Maria (PRATT)

Carol Maria (**PRATT**) was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 14 October 1948.

1950 Childbirth of son; John Anthony Pratt

John Anthony Pratt was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 3 June 1950.

1953 Childbirth of daughter; Donna Lynd (PRATT)

Donna Lynd (**PRATT**) was born in Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States on 31 December 1953.

1959 Childbirth of son; James Benjamin Pratt

James Benjamin Pratt was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 5 September 1959.

1967 Death of father-in-law; James Vincenzo "Vincent" Brescia or Bressi

James Vincenzo "Vincent" Bressi Brescia died in Hatboro, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, United States on September 1967.

1983 Death of mother; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt died at Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 June 1983.

2003 Death of spouse; Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) Caro Pratt

Maria "Mary" Theresa (**BRESCIA**) Caro Pratt died in Bellefontaine Neighbors, St. Louis (county), Missouri, United States on 8 October 2003.

2004 Death of Carl Benjamin Pratt

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2004 Burial of Carl Benjamin Pratt

Saint Johns Evangelical Cemetery, 1293 Saint Cyr Road, Bellfountain Neighbors, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States

Social Security Death Index

http://www.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=3693&enc=1

Name:Carl B. Pratt SSN:500-30-0536 Last Residence:63137 Saint Louis, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States of America Born:25 Nov 1921 Died:21 Jul 2004 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

Tribute to the Carl Benjamin Pratt Family

Uncle Carl and Aunt Mary were happy spirited people. Due to their dedication to their faith, they were always kind and coinsiderate of other people's feelings. Always there to help me in my research offering stories about the old folks that enlightened a researcher like me as to the way it was.

Friendly smiles and warm associations always comes to my mind when I think of those

two and the joy they brought to others.

I remember as a young boy, attending their home at Christmas. Driving down into the city of St. Louis to their home on a snowy evening and finding their home all decked out with Christmas decorations and as we entered their home, the smells of sweet food permeating my nostrils. Such a joyous occasion.

I don't have many memories concerning Uncle Carl and Aunt Mary due to the unchristlike temperment of siblings and their spouses. It always seemed as I was growing up that someone on both sides of my parents' families was mad at someone else for some offense and they would cease communication with them.

This was not only characteristic to that generation but I have found, even today, this weapon of Satan is used to destroy families and relationships. Instead of exhibiting a forgiving attitude as the Savior has taught, we tend to withdraw from those who have offended us or we perceive an offense.

Consequently, we didn't get to see much of my Uncle Carl's family as I was growing up mainly due to religious intolerence.

But, the little bit I did get to associate with them, was enough to tell me that they were indeed the type of caliber of people that lived close to the Lord. I will always love them for their fellowship, kindess and hospitality extended to me and my family and I know they are together in the Celestial Kingdom as husband and wife.

Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 23 September 2011

Carl married Mary Theresa (BRESCIA) Bressi, daughter of James Vincenzo "Vincent" Brescia and Maria Teresa Concetta (RIMOLA), on 3 January 1945 in Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, United States. Mary was born on 17 October 1922 in Morton Street, Ward 22, Philadelphia, Germantown Township, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States, died on 8 October 2003 in Bellefontaine Neighbors, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States at age 80, and was buried in October 2003 in Saint Johns Evangelical Cemetery, 1293 Saint Cyr Road, Bellfountain Neighbors, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States.



<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) by Floyd Thomas Pratt</u> F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2013

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1922 Birthblock of Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) daughter of James Vincenzo "Vincent" & Maria Teresa (RIMOLA) Brescia

Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) was born on Morton Street, Ward 22, Philadelphia,

Germantown Twp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States on 17 October 1922.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1922 in Pennsylvania.

Date from the 1940 census states she was born 1922 in Pennsylvania.

Date from her own personal knowledge stated she was born 17 October 1922 in Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania, United States.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from a newspaper death notice states she was born

Date from the funeral home records states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born 1 November 1916.

Date from the obituary states she was born

[My assumption without looking at the birth certificate that Mary was born in Philadelphia not Bristol is based on the 1920, 1930 and 1940 census showing her parents living at the Morton Street, Ward 22, Philadelphia, Germantown Township, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States location.]

1923 Childbirth of brother; Francesco "Frank" Brescia

Francesco "Frank" Brescia was born on Morton Street, Ward 22, Philadelphia, Germantown Twp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States on 1923.

1927 Childbirth of brother; James Vincenzo "Vincent" Brescia

James Vincenzo "Vincent" Brescia was born on Morton Street, Ward 22, Philadelphia, Germantown Twp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States on 1927.

1930 Federal Census age 8

1930 Morton Street, Philadelphia, Germantown Township, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States, page 53a, 2 April 1930, house 5835, dwelling 10, family 10

BRESSA, Vincent head w m 50; Marie wife w f 47; Antonio son w m 26; Thersa dau w f 20; Carmella dau w f 14; Victoria dau w f 10; Pasquala son w m 9; Mary dau w f 8; Frank son w m 6; Vincent son w m 3 1/12

[Vincent was first married at age 27 Marie at age 24. Carmella and those children born after her were born in Pennsylvania and all the rest were born in Italy including parents. Vincent owned his home valued at \$2200. Vincent came to the US in 1906, Marie, Antonio and Theresa in 1914. Vincent worked in a quarry as a laborer, Anthonio worked in landscape, Theresa worked in a pencil mill as a mill hand. Vincent, Marie and Theresa were aliens, Antonio was natuarlized.]

1935 Residency Morton Street, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States

1940 Federal Census age 18

5836 Morton Street, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States, page 6122, 3 April 1940, line 1, house 5836, family 16

BRESSI, Vincent w m 60; Concetta wife w f 56; Paschel son w m 19; Mary dau w f 18; Frank son w m 16; James son w m 13

[Vincent was born in Italy, Concetta was born in Italy, the rest were born in Pennsylvania. Vincent is a road construction worker. They own their home.]

1940-1945 Marriage of Peter Caro and Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA)

Peter Caro and Mary Theresa Brescia were married 1940-1945.

1940-1945 Divorce of Peter Caro and Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) Caro

Peter Caro and Mary Caro were divorced before 1945.

1945 Marriage of Carl Benjamin Pratt and Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) Caro

Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland Marriage Record Book Page:

Carl B. Pratt and Mary F. Caro were married in Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, United States on 3 January 1945.

1945-1946 Family Move

From Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Research Note

According to my father, when Carl was discharged from the Navy he met and courted divorced Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) Caro, which resulted in a marriage in 1945. After their marriage, Carl presented his new bride to his family in Bourbon and she was not well received by some family members. Knowing the gossip that small town members delight in engaging, I imagine Carl and Mary felt dissapointed by the reception they received and decide to move to the inner city of Saint Louis where they remained the rest of their lives. Occasionaly, they would appear at one of the Pratt-Graddy family reunions held in Bourbon and I would get to visit with them. I remember as a smal boy going to their home in Saint Louis for a Christmas visit and the house smelled wonderful...full of cinnamon and baking cookies and other items. Aunt Mary was always a gracious hostess and you could feel the love she had for all people. I think in retrospect, one of the reasons the rest of the Pratts did not like Aunt Mary was because she had been divorced and the biggest objection was probably her Catholic religion. Most of the Pratts were Penecostal, Baptist or Assembly of God religions and any different or opposing religion was not well received by my older relatives. Even when I joined the Mormon church in 1975, there was murmering and disapproval by my relatives and my Aunt Eula came to my defense one day and quoted the scriptures (Mark 9:40) and told the rest of the old betties to leave me alone. But, I always found Aunt Mary to be a kind and loving person, I miss her. FTP 2013

1947 Death of father-in-law; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 27 July 1947.

1946-1948 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States

1948 Childbirth of daughter; Carol Maria (PRATT)

Carol Maria (**PRATT**) was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 14 October 1948.

1950 Childbirth of son; John Anthony Pratt

John Anthony Pratt was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 3 June 1950.

1953 Childbirth of daughter; Donna Lynd (PRATT)

Donna Lynd (**PRATT**) was born in Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States on 31 December 1953.

1959 Childbirth of son; James Benjamin Pratt

James Benjamin Pratt was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 5 September 1959.

1967 Death of father; James Vincenzo "Vincent" Brescia or Bressi

James Vincenzo "Vincent" Bressi Brescia died in Hatboro, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, United States on September 1967.

1983 Death of mother-in-law; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt died at Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 June 1983.

2003 Death of Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) Caro Pratt

Maria "Mary" Theresa (**BRESCIA**) Caro Pratt died in Bellefontaine Neighbors, St. Louis (county), Missouri, United States on 8 October 2003.

2003 Burial of Maria "Mary" Theresa (BRESCIA) Caro Pratt

Saint Johns Evangelical Cemetery, 1293 Saint Cyr Road, Bellfountain Neighbors, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States

Social Security Death Index

Name:Mary T. Pratt SSN:173-10-1494 Last Residence:63137 Saint Louis, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States of America Born:1 Nov 1916 Died:8 Oct 2003 State (Year) SSN issued:Pennsylvania (Before 1951)

12 M iii. Roy Lee Pratt was born on 13 November 1924 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 30 November 2003 in Missouri Southern Healthcare, Dexter, Liberty Township, Stoddard, Missouri, United States at age 79, and was buried in December 2003 in Rosewood Cemetery, Malden, Dunklin, Missouri, United States.

Roy Lee Pratt

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Roy Lee Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2012

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, — Roy Lee Picture 1.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1924 Birthblock for Roy Lee Pratt son of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander & Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Roy Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 November 1924.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Birth Certificate State File #55912.

Roy Lee Pratt born 13 November 1924 in Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri at 11:55pm to Columbus Pratt of Bourbon, Missouri white male age 31 a laborer and Rue F.

Johnson of Bourbon, Missouri white female age 30 a housewife. Roy is the 3rd child born to this mother and the 3rd child living.

Date from the 1930 census states he was born 1925 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states he was born

Date from the WWII Navy military involvement states he was born

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born

Date from the SSDI states he was born 13 November 1924.

Date from the Daily American Republic Newspaper obituary states he was born 13 November 1924 in Bourbon, Missouri.

1924-1927 Family Move

Roy was born in Bourbon and Dad told me he was born at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri. Therefore they left the Johnson house at Walnut and Blue Springs Road and moved to the Uhlinger Farm between 1924-1927.

1927 Childbirth of brother; Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt

Floyd Theodore Pratt was born 6 January 1917 at the Unlinger Farm, outside of Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri.

1929 Childbirth of sister: Nadeen Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadeen Wilma Pearl Pratt was born 5 April 1929 at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1930 Federal Census age 5

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177, 8 April 1930, line house 24, family

PRATT, Columbus B. head age 36 male; Rue F. wife age 36 female; Mary E. dau age 10 female; Carl D. son age 8 male; Roy L. son age 5 male; Floyd T. son age 3 male; Nadine W. dau age 1 female

[All born in Missouri. Columbus parents born in Missouri, Rue says her father born in Illinois and mother born in South Carolina. Rue says she was 25 when she first got married. Columbus says he is a veteran of WWI.]

1931 Childbirth of brother; James Henry Pratt

James Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1931.

1935 Residency at the William and Harriett (KING) Barton house

At the corner of Cedar and Watkins Street in Bourbon was the house that Rue's grandparents' William and Harriet (**KING**) Barton built. William and Harriet lived near Vilander and moved after the 1880 census and before 1884 when daughter; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (**BARTON**) married to Judge James Millard Johnson. They lived in this house until their deaths in 1920-1922. son, Alonzo Zachariah "Lon" Barton rented this home to the Pratts.

1938 Death of grandmother; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY)

Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1939 Father's Life Insurance

Columbus B. Pratt bought a life insurance policy on Roy Lee Pratt, Floyd T. Pratt, James H. Pratt on 14 August 1939 from the Central Mutual Insurance Co.

1939 Death of sister; Nadeen Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadeen Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**) died on 9 December 1939 at McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States.

1940 Federal Census age 15

Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 4b, 15 April 1940, line 49. house 79

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 46; Rue wife w f 46; Roy son w m 15; Floyd son w m 13; James son w m 9; **JOHNSON**, James M. father-in-law w m 85, Lee E. Sr. brother-in-law w m 52; Lee E. Jr. son of brother-in-law w m 2; (house 80) **SKAGGS**, Chester head w m 25, Mary Edith wife w f 20

[All born in Missouri except Lee Jr. born in Wyoming. They were all living in the Barton House as of 1 April 1935 except Chester was living in Potosi, Missouri working as a Tiff miner. This was before he married Mary Edith (**PRATT**) in 1938. Columbus worked as a laborer doing road improvements, Lee Sr., worked as an assistant cashier in a bank, Chester worked as truck driver for a feed store. This was for Hartung Feed in Bourbon, Dad says Uncle Chester taught him how to drive in that old feed truck. Chester would slide over by the door and Dad would get behind the wheel and that's how he learned to drive. Chester and Edith lived upstairs in the house and had seperate cooking facilities.]

1940-1943 Military service

Roy Lee Pratt served in the US Navy.

1943 Marriage of Roy Lee Pratt and Mary Lou (STEIDEL) Drinkard

Roy Pratt and Mrs. Mary Lou (**STEIDEL**) Drinkard were married 23 January 1943 in Franklin, Missouri, United States. No Children.

Research Note

Sent letter to Gladys Louise (**EATON**) Anderson Pratt Anderson on 11 February 2008 inquiring about what she knew about Uncle Roy's marriages, spouses and her family history. Sent to daughter; Diane's home...no reply.

1943-1945 Divorce of Roy Lee Pratt and Mary Lou (STEIDEL) Drinkard Pratt Roy Pratt and Mary Lou (STEIDEL) Drinkard Pratt were divorced 1943-1945 in Union, Franklin Co., Mo.

<u>1946-1947 Marriage of Roy Lee Pratt and Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON)</u> <u>Anderson</u>

Roy Pratt and Mrs. Gladys (**EATON**) Anderson were married 1946-1947 in Desloge, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States. [needs verification]

Research Note

In this case Ronald Edgar Anderson and Donald Eugene Anderson were twins and children of Norman and Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson born 3 October 1946

in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

After divorcing Norman Anderson circa 1946, Gladys married Roy Lee Pratt whom gave Donald Eugene Anderson his surname of Pratt. Curiously, Donald's brother Ronald retained his birth surname all his life and we knew him as Ronnie Anderson.

This is another example out of courtesy, the new spouse doesn't know the harm they are doing with they remove the birth surname of a child and replace it with their own. The child grows up not knowing which family they should show allegiance they miss out on the fellowship of the original birth surnamed family.

In this case, it was not necessary to change Donald's surname unless it was done by a spiteful spouse. Especially when you take it into account that his twin brother retained his birth surname of Anderson his whole life.

Fortunately, due to a short life, Donald didn't have to contend with the surname confusion. FTP

1947 Death of son; Donald Eugene Anderson-Pratt

Donald Eugene Anderson-Pratt died in the Max C. Starkloff Memorial Hospital, 2220 Lemp Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 25 February 1947.

1947 Family Location

At the time of Donald's death, Roy and Galdys were living at 1804 Hickory Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

1947 Death of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 27 July 1947.

1948 Childbirth of son; Dennis Alan Pratt Sr.

Dennis Alan Pratt Sr. was born 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 19 December 1948.

1950 Childbirth of son; James David Pratt Sr.

James David Pratt Sr. was born in Flat River City, Saint Francois Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 14 October 1950.

1953 Childbirth of daughter; Diana Lynn (PRATT)

Diana Lynn (**PRATT**) was born in Flat River City, Saint Francois Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 23 March 1953.

1966 Divorce of Roy Lee Pratt and Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson Pratt

Crawford County Missouri Circuit Court Record Book 41, page 177 Roy Pratt and Gladys (**EATON**) Anderson Pratt were divorced 25 January 1966 in Steelville, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1966 Marriage of Roy Lee Pratt and Mrs. Bernice Irene (STRAIN) Clark

Roy Pratt and Mrs. Bernice (**STRAIN**) Clark were married 2 July 1966 in Dexter, Stoddard, Missouri, United States.

1983 Death of mother; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt died at Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 June 1983.

1993 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name:Roy L Pratt Birth Date:13 Nov 1924 [24 Nov 1924] Address:304 Washington St, Malden, MO, 63863-1863 (1993)

2003 Death of Roy Lee Pratt

Roy Lee Pratt died at Missouri Southern Healthcare, Dexter, Stoddard, Missouri, United States on 30 November 2003.

2003 Burial of Roy Lee Pratt

Rosewood Cemetery, Malden, Cotton Hill Twp, Dunklin, Missouri, United States

Social Security Death Index

Name:Roy L. Pratt SSN:499-12-1122 Last Residence:63836 Charleston, Mississippi, Missouri, United States of America Born:13 Nov 1924 Died:30 Nov 2003 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

2003 Obituary of Roy Lee Pratt

[1] <u>United States Obituary Collection</u>

Name of Deceased:Roy Lee Pratt Age at Death:79 Death Date:30 Nov 2003
Obituary Date:30 Dec 2003 Newspaper Title:Daily American Republic Newspaper
Location:Poplar Bluff, MO, Us Birth Date:13 Nov 1924 Locations Mentioned in
Obituary:Bourbon Dexter, St. Ann Malden Robertsville Athens Cedar Hill St. Louis
St., Other Persons Mentioned in Obituary:Bob Phillips James Pratt Edith Skaggs
Rod Clark Diana Aufderheide Virgil Harp Bernice Clark Strain Floyd Pratt Dwight
Clark Dennis Pratt Carl Pratt

MALDEN -- Roy Lee Pratt, 79, of Malden died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2003 at Missouri Southern Healthcare in Dexter.

Mr. Pratt was born Nov. 13, 1924 in Bourbon. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Malden and an Elder at the First Presbyterian Church and had served on the Malden City Council. Mr. Pratt was a veteran of WWII, having served in the United States Navy, and had been an agent for the Von Der Ahe Moving & Storage. He was retired. On July 2, 1966 he married Bernice Strain Clark in Dexter. She survives.

Other survivors include one daughter, Diana Aufderheide of St. Ann; two sons, James Pratt of Robertsville and Dennis Pratt of Athens, Ala; two stepsons, Dwight Clark of Cedar Hill and Rod Clark of Malden; one sister, Edith Skaggs; two brothers, Carl Pratt of St. Louis and Floyd Pratt of St. Clair; five grandchildren; six stepgrandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren. Visitation will be today from 6 to 8 p.m. at Bradshaw Funeral Home in Malden. The funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the First Presbyterian Church in Malden with the Revs. Bob Phillips and Virgil Harp officiating. Burial will be in the Rosewood Cemetery in Malden.

[2] United States Obituary Collection (ancestry.com)

Name of Deceased:Roy Lee Pratt Age at Death:79 Birth Date:13 November 1924 Death Date:30 November 2003 Newspaper Title:Daily Dunklin Democrat, The Newspaper Location:Kennett, MO, Us Obituary Publication Date:4 December 2003 Locations Mentioned in Obituary:Malden, MO; Cedar Hill, MO; Athens, AL; Robertsville, MO; MO; Dexter, MO; St. Ann Other Persons Mentioned in Obituary:Floyd Pratt; Rod Clark; Kathy; Columbus; Nadine Pratt; Valarie; Carl Pratt; Jim Pratt; Rue Johnson Pratt; Diana Aufderheide; Bernice Strain Clark; Bob Phillips; Edith Skaggs; Dwight Clark; Roy Pratt; Vicki; Barbara; Virgil Harp; Dennis Pratt; James Pratt

[3] Roy Pratt

Tuesday, December 02, 2003

Roy Lee Pratt, 79, of Malden, Mo., died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2003, at Missouri Southern Healthcare in Dexter, Mo. Born Nov. 13, 1924, in Burbon, Mo., son of Columbus and Rue Johnson Pratt, he was U.S. Navy veteran, serving in WWII, agent for Von Der Ahe Moving & Storage Co. and served on the Malden City Council. He was a member and elder of the First Presbyterian Church in Malden. On July 2, 1966, in Dexter, he married Bernice Strain Clark, who survives of the home. Survivors also include two sons, James Pratt and wife, Valarie, of Robertsville, Mo. and Dennis Pratt and wife, Barbara, of Athens, Ala.; one daughter, Diana Aufderheide and husband, Jim, of St. Ann, Mo.; two step-sons, Dwight Clark and wife, Vicki, of Cedar Hill, Mo. and Rod Clark and wife, Kathy, of Malden; two brothers, Carl Pratt, of St. Louis, Mo. and Floyd Pratt, of St. Clair, Mo.; one sister, Edith Skaggs, of Burbon; five grandchildren; six step-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one brother, Jim Pratt and one sister, Nadine Pratt. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the Bradshaw Funeral Home in Malden.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the First Presbyterian Church in Malden with the Revs. Bob Phillips and Virgil Harp officiating. Burial will follow at the Rosewood Cemetery in Malden.

Rov Pratt (12/02/03)

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2008 Reminiscing by Floyd Thomas Pratt

Uncle Roy used to own his own 18-wheel big rig and contracted with Von Der Ahe Van Lines...a moving and storage company. He would travel from coast to caost and this made it hard on his family life. When we would visit Grandma (Rue) Pratt in Bourbon which was a long ride from St. Louis, Dad would sometimes drive on with Grandma to visit Uncle Roy who lived outside Steelville on a farm with Galdys and the kids. Galdys had children from a previous marriage to Norman Anderson which were my cousins by marriage. Norma the oldest, then Ronnie. Also, Uncle Roy and Aunt Galdys had 3 children of their own, Dennis, James and Diana.

So, we boys, me Mike and Larry would enjoy going out to see Uncle Roy's family because their kids always had fun things to do around their farm. I remember they used to take us down to the pond to gig frogs. They would stab these frogs with a long stick that had a metal spear point which when they stuck the frogs, the frogs could not get away. After they caught the frogs they would skin and clean them and fry the legs up and we would taste the frog legs which of course tasted like fried chicken. Also, they would hunt rabbits and usually would have several hanging on a nail in a tree where they would skin and gut the rabbits before they cleaned them for cooking.

I remember one visit where we went up stairs to a loft where the boys all slept and they had neat toys and gadgets to play with. Ronnie was about 14 or 15 at that time and one of the songs that was popular on the radio was Red Rubber Ball and we used to play the 45 record while we were upstairs visiting the boys. This had to be some time in the late 1950's early 1960's.

They were just as much interested to hear about our city life as we were about their country life. I used to think they were lucky to be living in the country because I would envy the fun things they got to do. However, now as an adult, I know how hard that life is when the economics in the area cannot support a family on meager wages. So, this nessitated Uncle Roy to drive a big truck to support his large family staying away from family and friends for long periods of time.

Uncle Roy used to take his kids on road trips with him when he would go from coast to coast. Of course he took them one at a time but he offered to take me and Mike on one such trip. We were excited and overjoyed to get to go on a vacation let alone to get to ride in a big rig!

We first went to Champaign, Illinois to pick up some furntiure that these people were moving to Norfolk, Virginia. I remember going to their house and seeing Von Der Ahe boxes packed up ready for us to help load in the truck trailer. Mike and I were both tall strong boys so I guess Uncle Roy thought we could earn our keep on that trip by helping out. We were gald to be of assistance because we got to work with menfolk and as young teenagers we enjoyed the comradery.

After helping to load the furniture which it seemed to me to take a long time because they had so much stuff, we began our travels towards Norfolk, Virginia. The most fun was staying in motels and eating out all the time but riding in the truck hour after hour was lame. Not much to do.

When we got to Norfolk we delivered the furniture to a warehouse where there were 5 or 6 men there to help unload the truck and it seemed to take only about an hour. But as I remember, and my memory is not too good, we took a load which filled up the truck only about 20 feet and then we would stop and get another load and load that another 20 or 30 feet into the back of the van and then we would pick up another load to finish filling the truck. We would deliver the last load first then the next then the next until the truck was empty and ready for a next load and run. I don't remembe how we got back to St. Louis, but we did and that was great fun except for the hard work.

For years after that expierence Mike and I wanted to be truck drivers and romanced the idea. I even wrote my first song when we lived on 27 Montauk Drive, Creve Couer, Missouri called "Truck Drivin' Man." I was in the 10th grade at Pattonville High School in St. Ann, Missouri at the time. (1965)

As we got older we didn't get to see the old folks much any more and we lost track of Uncle Roy. After his 2nd divorce he married Aunt Bernice and moved to Malden, Missouri which took us out of the circle even more.

However, when Bonnie and I and the kids would drive up to St. Clair from Bradenton, Florida to see Dad and Mom, we tried to drive down Interstate 55 and stop off to see Uncle Roy and Aunt Bernice at Malden. It was on one of those trips I took pictures. One time Aunt Bernice had made us a spaghetti supper when we visited. Then we would continue our trip back to Bradenton.

Uncle Roy had a continuing battle with cancer and diabetes, which he lost but something I always had in common with Uncle Roy was he also had psoriasis. He would show me on his arms and legs and I can remember how his fingernails were deformed from the disease. Right now my fingernails are ok but my toenails are messed up. So, I sympathize with Uncle Roy and the suffering he had to endure with his ailments.

Uncle Roy was always a family joker. He would kid around and always made us laugh. One of his "tricks" was to use toothpicks and put them back in his shirt pocket. Then he would ask someone, like my Dad or Uncle Jim if they wanted a toothpick and they would say yes and he would give them one of his "used" ones laughing and then would tell them why he was laughing. This "trick" only worked a few times before we figured it out...not to take anymore toothpicks from Uncle Roy!

Now that he has passed over, I need to find out more information about his marriages to his previous wives. Since I can not make the trip to the areas I need to go, then I will have to rely on someone else to help. If I am not successful in finding out this information, then it is up to his children to continue to fill in the "blanks" in Uncle Roy's life. - Floyd Thomas Pratt 11 February 2008

Roy married **Marylou**, daughter of **1st** and **Vernon Payne**, on 23 January 1943 in Franklin County, Missouri, United States. The marriage ended in divorced no children. Marylou was born in 1928 in Paducah, McCracken, Kentucky, United States.

1928 Birthblock of Marylou () daughter of and Vernon () Payne

1930 Federal Census age

1933 Childbirth of sister; Jane (-----)

1935 Residency in rural, Crawford County, Missouri

1937 Mother's marriage of Jacob Ivan Steidel and Vernon Payne

[1] Missouri Marriage Records, 1805-2002

Name:Ivan Steidel Age:24 Birth Date:abt 1913 Marriage Date:19 Oct 1937 Marriage

Location:Clayton, St Louis, Missouri Marriage County:St Louis Spouse Name:Vernon Payne Spouse Age:33 Spouse Birth Date:abt 1904

1940 Federal Census

Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 164a, 15 May 140, line 1, house 309 **STIEDEL**, Ivan head w m Stiedel 26; Vernon wife w f 30; Marylou dau w f 12; Jane day w f 7 [Ivan was born in Missouri, Vernon was born in Kentucky, Marylou was born in Kentucky, Jane was born in Illinois. Ivan is a farm operator and is renting.]

1940-1843 Marriage of Drinkard and Mary Lou (-----)

1943 Marriage of Roy Lee Pratt and Mary Lou (-----) Drinkard

Roy Pratt and Mrs. Mary Lou (**STIEDEL**) Drinkard were married 23 January 1943 in Franklin, Missouri, United States. No Children.

1943-1945 Divorce of Roy Lee Pratt and Mary Lou (-----) Drinkard Pratt

Roy Pratt and Mary Lou (**STIEDEL**) Drinkard Pratt were divorced 1943-1945 in Union, Franklin Co., Mo.

Roy next married **Gladys Louise (EATON)**, daughter of **James Henry Eaton** and **Radie Cora (KINDRED)**, in 1946-1947. Gladys was born on 14 December 1924 in Flat River, Saint Francois Township, Saint Francois County, Missouri, United States, died on 27 July 2010 in Pacific Care Center, Pacific, Boles Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States at age 85, and was buried on 31 July 2010 in Herod-Haile Cemetery, Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States.

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Galdys Louise (EATON) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C.,</u> **M.A.G.I.** 2012

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1924 Birthblock for Galdys Louise (EATON) daughter of James Henry & Radie Cora (KINDRED) Eaton

Galdys Louise (**EATON**) was born in Flat River City, Saint Francois Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri. United States on 14 December 1924.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1925 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born 14 December 1924.

Date from the obituary states she was born 14 December 1924 in Desloge, Missouri.

[I can't rememer who had told me that Gladys was born at Flat River. Other sources state she was born in Desloge. Ordering her birth certificate would put a rest to the discrepancy. Whomever, orders the birth certificate please share it with others and post it so we may correct all our records. FTP]

1928 Childbirth of brother; Alva Lee Eaton

Alva Lee Eaton was born in Desloge Town, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 11 May 1928.

1930 Federal Census age 6

Desloge Town, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States, page 161b, 7 April 1930, house 192, family 194

EATON, J. Henry head w m 35; Radie wife w f 33; Zetta dau w f 13; Viola M. dau w f 11; Melvin son w m 8; Murriel son w m 7; Galdys dau w f 5; Alva Lee son w m 1 11/12

[Henry was born in Missouri as was his parents, Radie was born in Missouri but her parents were born in Kentucky the rest born in Missouri as was their parents. Henry was first married at age 21, Radie at age 19. Henry was a farmer.]

1930 Childbirth of sister; Helen Ruth (EATON)

Helen Ruth (**EATON**) was born in Desloge Town, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 3 Apr 1930.

1934 Childbirth of brother; Ernest Dale Eaton

Ernest Dale Eaton was born in Desloge Town, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 6 June 1934.

1936 Childbirth of sister; Shirley Ann (EATON)

Shirley Ann (**EATON**) was born in Desloge Town, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 10 December 1936.

1937 Death of grandmother; Laura Alice (FORSHEE) Eaton

Laura Alice (**FORSHEE**) Eaton died in Cantwell, Desloge, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 3 February 1937.

1942 Death of grandfather; Mathew Eaton

Mathew Eaton died in Cantwell, Desloge, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 14 April 1942.

1942 Marriage of Norman Anderson and Gladys Louise (EATON)

[1] Missouri Marriage Records, 1805-2002

Name:Narman Anderson of Poplar Bluff, Butler County, Missouri under the age of 21 Marriage Date:31 August 1942 Marriage Location:Providence Community, Missouri Marriage County:Butler Spouse Name:Gladys Ealon of Desloge, St. Francois County, Missouri over the age of 18 [Gladys married Norman Anderson twice.]

1943 Childbirth of daughter; Norma Louise (ANDERSON)

Norma Louise (ANDERSON) was born in ?? on 20 October 1943.

1946 Childbirth of son; Ronald "Ronnie" Edgar Anderson

Ronald "Ronnie" Edgar Anderson was born in ?? on 3 October 1946.

1946 Childbirth of son; Donald Eugene Anderson

Donald Eugene Anderson was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 3 October 1946.

??? Divorce of Norman Anderson and Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson

needs validation

1946-1947 Marriage of Roy Lee Pratt and Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson

Roy Pratt and Mrs. Gladys (**EATON**) Anderson were married 1946-1947 in Desloge, Randolph Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States. [needs verification]

Research Note

In this case Ronald Edgar Anderson and Donald Eugene Anderson were twins and children of Norman and Gladys Louise (**EATON**) Anderson born 3 October 1946 in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

After divorcing Norman Anderson circa 1946, Gladys married Roy Lee Pratt whom gave Donald Eugene Anderson his surname of Pratt. Curiously, Donald's brother Ronald retained his birth surname all his life and we knew him as Ronnie Anderson.

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In this case, it was not necessary to change Donald's surname unless it was done by a spiteful spouse. Especially when you take it into account that his twin brother retained his birth surname of Anderson his whole life.

Fortunately, due to a short life, Donald didn't have to contend with the surname confusion. FTP

1947 Death of son; Donald Eugene Anderson-Pratt

Donald Eugene Anderson-Pratt died in the Max C. Starkloff Memorial Hospital, 2220 Lemp Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 25 February 1947.

1947 Family Location

At the time of Donald's death, Roy and Galdys were living at 1804 Hickory Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

1947 Death of father-in-law; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 27 July 1947.

1948 Childbirth of son; Dennis Alan Pratt Sr.

Dennis Alan Pratt Sr. was born 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 19 December 1948.

1950 Childbirth of son; James David Pratt Sr.

James David Pratt Sr. was born in Flat River City, Saint Francois Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 14 October 1950.

1953 Childbirth of daughter; Diana Lynn (PRATT)

Diana Lynn (**PRATT**) was born in Flat River City, Saint Francois Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 23 March 1953.

1959 Death of father; James Henry Eaton

James Henry Eaton died in the Bonne Terre Hospital, Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 11 April 1959.

1966 Divorce of Roy Lee Pratt and Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson Pratt

[1] Crawford County Missouri Circuit Court Record Book 41, page 177
Roy Pratt and Gladys (**EATON**) Anderson Pratt were divorced 25 January 1966 in Steelville, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Marriage of James "Jim" Lee and Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson Pratt

<u>Divorce of James "Jim" Lee and Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson Pratt Lee</u>

Marriage of Williams and Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson Pratt Lee

1997 Death of mother; Radie Cora (KINDRED) Eaton

Radie Cora (**KINDRED**) Eaton died in Park Hills, Saint Francois Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1997.

2010 Death of Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson Pratt Anderson Lee Williams

Gladys Louise (**EATON**) Anderson Pratt died in Pacific Care Center, Pacific, Boles Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 27 July 2010.

2010 Burial of Mrs. Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson Pratt Anderson Lee Williams

Herod-Haile Cemetery, Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States

2010 Obituary of Gladys Louise (EATON) Anderson

Gladys Louise Anderson, 85, of St. Ann, MO., passed away July 27, 2010 at Pacific Care Center. She was born December 14, 1924 in Desloge, MO.

She was preceded in death by parents, James Henry & Radie Cora (Kindred) Eaton; two sons, Donald Anderson, Ronald Edgar Anderson; daughter, Norma Anderson Downing; granddaughter, Tammy Owens; four brothers, Murrill, Melvin, Dale, and Alva Eaton; four sisters, Helen Ruth Eaton, Shirley Dalton, Viola Erlinger, Zetta Mell.

She is survived by two sons, Dennis Allen Pratt & wife Barbara of Sullivan, MO., James David Pratt and wife Valerie of Robertsville, MO.; daughter, Diana Lynn Aufderheide of St. Ann, MO.; nine grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sister, Joyce Summers of LaFayette, IL.

Visitation is Friday, July 30, 2010 at 5pm at C.Z. Boyer & Son Funeral Home in Desloge. Services are Saturday, July 31, at 11am at C.Z. Boyer & Son Chapel in Desloge with Rev. Court Buchanan officiating. Interment will be at Herod Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association.

Social Security Death Index

Name:Gladys Louise Anderson SSN:489-26-6893 Last Residence:63601 Park Hills, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States of America Born:14 Dec 1924 Died:27 Jul 2010 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

Roy next married **Bernice Irene (STRAIN)**, daughter of **Charles** "Charlie" T. Strain and Maudie M. (WOODS), on 2 July 1966 in Dexter, Liberty Twp, Stoddard, Missouri, United States. Bernice was born on 13 March 1928 in Dyer, Tennessee, United States.



Bernice (STRAIN)

13 M iv. (Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt) was born on 6 January 1927 near Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States, died on 8 November 2013 in Saint Clair Nursing Center, 1035 Plaza Court North, Saint Clair, Central Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States at age 86, and was buried on 14 November 2013 in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Lemay, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States.



1927 Birthblock for Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt son of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander & Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt was born at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

[1] Birth Certificate: Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, State File #836.

Floyd Theodie Pratt white male born 6 January 1927 at 6 am at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Columbus Benjamin Pratt white male age 33 a laborer and Rue Flavilla Johnson white female age 32 a housewife both of Bourbon, Missouri. Parents born in Crawford County, Missouri. Rue says she has had 4 children born and 4 are living.

[2] Date from the 1930 census states he was born 1927 in Missouri.

Dad told me he was born at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states he was born

[3] Date from the World War II draft registration states he was born 1927 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born

Date from the SSDI states he was born

Date from the obituary states he was born

1929 Childbirth of sister; Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadine Wilma Pearl Pratt was born at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 5 April 1929.

1930 Federal Census age 3

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177a, 8 April 1930, line 8, house 24, family 24

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 36; Rue F. wife w f 36; Mary E. dau w f 10; Carl D. son w m 8; Roy L. son w m 5; Floyd T. son w m 3; Nadine W. dau w f 1 [All born in Missouri. Columbus parents born in Missouri, Rue says her father born in

Illinois and mother born in South Carolina. Rue says she was 25 when she first got married. Columbus says he is a veteran of WWI.]

1931 Childbirth of brother; James Henry Pratt

James Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1931.

1935 Residency at the William and Harriett (KING) Barton house

At the corner of Cedar and Watkins Street in Bourbon was the house that Rue's grandparents' William and Harriet (**KING**) Barton built. William and Harriet lived near Vilander and moved after the 1880 census and before 1884 when daughter; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (**BARTON**) married to Judge James Millard Johnson. They lived in this house until their deaths in 1920-1922. son, Alonzo Zachariah "Lon" Barton rented this home to the Pratts.

1938 Death of grandmother; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY)

Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1939 Father's Life Insurance

Columbus B. Pratt bought a life insurance policy on Roy Lee Pratt, Floyd T. Pratt, James H. Pratt on 14 August 1939 from the Central Mutual Insurance Co.

1939 Death of sister; Nadeen Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadeen Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**) died on 9 December 1939 at McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States.

1940 Federal Census age 13

Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 4b, 15 April 1940, line 49, house 79

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 46; Rue wife w f 46; Roy son w m 15; <u>Floyd son w m 13</u>; James son w m 9; **JOHNSON**, James M. father-in-law w m 85, Lee E. Sr. brother-in-law w m 52; Lee E. Jr. son of brother-in-law w m 2; (house 80) **SKAGGS**, Chester head w m 25, Mary Edith wife w f 20

[All born in Missouri except Lee Jr. born in Wyoming. They were all living in the Barton House as of 1 April 1935 except Chester was living in Potosi, Missouri working as a Tiff miner. This was before he married Mary Edith (**PRATT**) in 1938. Columbus worked as a laborer doing road improvements, Lee Sr., worked as an assistant cashier in a bank, Chester worked as truck driver for a feed store. This was for Hartung Feed in Bourbon, Dad says Uncle Chester taught him how to drive in that old feed truck. Chester would slide over by the door and Dad would get behind the wheel and that's how he learned to drive. Chester and Edith lived upstairs in the house and had seperate cooking facilities.]

1941 Move to St. Louis, Missouri

Move from the Johnson House at Walnut and Blue Springs Road in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States to Texas Avenue in Saint Louis, Missouri.

Dad says he paid \$10 a month to Henry Arthur "Art" & Hazel (COZIAH) Pratt for

room & board in 1942. He said they lived in a flat on Texas Avenue in Saint Louis.

While a youth, Floyd obtained an education around the Bourbon area until age 14 (1941) when his family moved to Lafayette & Jefferson at St. Louis, Missouri. This family move included father; Lum, mother; Rue, brother; Roy, Floyd and brother Jim Pratt around 1941.

He worked at the Supreme Sandwich Shop, Jefferson & Cherokee in St. Louis as a cook, and took a job at Bemis Brothers Bag Company, 3rd Street, St. Louis, as a Lithographic Pressman (Pressman, rotary lithographic), where he was drafted into the Army in 1945.

1945 Military Drafted

U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

http://www.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=8939&enc=1

Name:Floyd T Pratt Birth Year:1927 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Missouri State:Missouri County or City:St Louis City Enlistment Date:26 Mar 1945 Enlistment State:Missouri Enlistment City:Jefferson Barracks Branch:No branch assignment Branch Code:No branch assignment Grade:Private Grade Code:Private Term of Enlistment:Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law Component:Selectees (Enlisted Men) Source:Civil Life Education:1 year of high school Civil Occupation:Student, Geography or Lithographic Pressman (Pressman, rotary lithographic.) Marital Status:Single, without dependents Height:66 Weight:660

At the age of 20, Floyd was drafted into World War II at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri on 26 March 1945. He received his basic training at Camp Rucker, Alabama. Then he transferred to Camp Gordon Johnson, Florida south of Apalachicola, where he was trained to operate small boats including PT boats. He was going to be dispatched to Japan and was trained to navigate the dangerous reefs off of the shores of Japan. However, the war had ended before his arrival and he was assigned to ferry troups into the ports of Japan. He served as a Private 1st Class with the 11th Major Port Battalion and was part of the Army of the occupational force in Yokohama, Japan. His duties included managing and storing railroad cars loaded with the personal belongings of the occupational troops and locating homes and barracks for these troops. He was discharged on 20 November 1946 at Fort Lewis, near Seattle, Washington, United States. His parents had moved from St. Louis back to Bourbon and he returned home in Bourbon, Missouri to live with his parents.

1946 Military Discharge

He was discharged on 20 November 1946 at Fort Lewis, near Seattle, Washington, United States.

Research Note

See the report "Military History of Floyd Theodore Pratt" by his son Floyd Thomas Pratt 2013.

After a few months helping his father in the stone masonary business, Floyd decided

this work was difficult and unpleasant and not for him and decided to move to Saint Louis and find work and lived temporarily with his Uncle Henry Arthur "Art" and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Pratt in a flat on Texas Avenue. He paid them \$10 a month for room and board.

1947 Whirlwind Courtship

Floyd...shortly after his discharge from the Army in 1946, at the reckless age of 19, like most returned war heroes, was looking for fun and companionship. Instead of satisfying this need for companionship by seeking a suitable potential wife in church...as his mother had taught him, he went were the "action" was...to the bars, taverns and nightclubs.

Floyd's formal education was mostly experience he had gained while in the service. Neither an avid book reader nor one to seek a higher education, but young and wanting fun and excitement he went where the action was. Any and all church instructions were lost on him during the war and his interest could not be found in churches.

At one of these bars, he met this beautiful, free spirited fun loving talented singer Delores Virginia (**BROWN**). Delores, a single girl of 22, with no serious goals or commitments, and possessing a vivacious personality, also found solitude in the bar scene where she could exercise her singing talent and entertain the patrons.

The attraction between these two was magnetic. Floyd a slender, handsome decorated soldier and Delores a beautiful, fun loving, high spirited beauty who both held steady jobs and with this combination of chemistry and magnetism, led to an interest, courtship and an eventual marriage following the natural progression of a loving relationship.

However, after the marriage in March 1947, the hard shocking reality of life set in leading to conflicts of goals and interest. With the birth of Floyd Thomas Pratt affectionately nicknamed "Tommy" in January 1948 the responsibilities of raising a demanding, expensive, time consuming, unappreciative infant became their reality.

Delores would stay home all day taking care of the house, and especially Tommy and aggravated that she had been poorly trained for this type of work. The day after day drudgery of household duties and the demanding attention that an infant required was not conducive to the fun loving spirited party mentality that Delores craved and was accustomed.

Her mother had set a poor example of motherhood, but instead instilled in her daughters a free spirited, fun loving persona and was not inclined or programmed to teach them how to be a real mothers and handle the responsibilities of a household. [After meeting Olga in 1988, it immediately became obvious that she was one of the first free spirited "hippies" or "liberated women" of her generation.]

Delores emulated this behavior and really could not understand how to handle these "new" responsibilities thrust upon her. Dad said, when he would go to work in the morning, Delores would take care of me all day and when he came home at night, Delores would turn me over to him and she would go out "partying" without him.

This went on into the summer of 1948 when they mutually agreed their relationship was not in harmony with like-minded goals. They separated and filed for a divorce. During that separation period, dad left me with his mother; Rue in Bourbon and switched back and forth with his sister; Edith and her husband Chester Skaggs.

While they took care of me, dad would continue working at his job in St. Louis. During the month of September 1948, while out for some distracting amusement, he decided to attend the Highlands Amusement Park on Overland Avenue in St. Louis, [the St. Louis Community College now occupies that acreage] where he attended a dance.

Dances where very popular at these events and he noticed a tall attractive young girl had caught his eye and he decided he wanted to meet her. As he approached her and inquired about her name he was met with a cold shoulder and realized this girl had substance and was indeed interesting.

He noticed that this girl had a blonde girlfriend and waited until he could get this girlfriend alone and asked her what the name of her friend was and she replied...Dorothy Bednarek and gave him Dorothy's phone number.

When Dorothy found out what her friend Vivian "Vi" had done, she was furious but amused. Being persistent, Floyd finally got permission to dance with Dorothy and when they danced he noticed she stood 5'11" and he at his 6' frame noticed how tall she was.

He said flippantly, "Kind of tall aren't you?" Dorothy replied, "I know it fella, you don't have to tell me!" Floyd realized Dorothy had spirit and was feisty, sort of sassy and this appealed to him and he took notice that she was a fun and interesting person...and tall, he decided to pursue a relationship. So, with the beginning of light-minded banter, a romance began to blossom.

Dad and Delores' divorce was final on 14 December 1948 and on the 18th of February 1949, Floyd and Dorothy (**BEDNAREK**) were married.

During a divorce where children are involved, it was customary for the court to always award the children to the mother. Unless, there was just cause that proved the mother unfit to raise a child. In this case the court followed protocol and I was awarded to Delores, however, Delores understanding her lifestyle and how an infant child of less than a year would "hamper" her "partying" time decided that she would not be able to take care of me as I should be raised and in a surprised, unselfish move, gave custody of me to my father, citing that I would be better off under his guidance than hers.

You would imagine that guilt for this action would haunt her for the rest of her life, but not so, when Delores remarried she had a daughter, Karen, my half sister and left her with her father to raise.

This is a prime example of when parents fail as good examples in the home, how these failures snowball into future generations. Maybe Olga did not have a good example in her mother and father and therefore did not know how to raise a family. In

any case, both of her daughters had difficult and hardship lives and never did find happiness in a stable relationship. There is a saying in our church by President David O. McKay, "No amount of success can compensate for failure in the home"...how true, how true. Delores was right, I was and have been better off with my dad. Floyd Thomas Pratt

1947 Marriage of Floyd Theodore Pratt and Delores Virginia (BROWN)

[1] Franklin County, Missouri Marriage Record Book 167, page 415 Floyd T. Pratt and Delores Brown were married in Saint Clair, Franklin, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 1 March 1947.

Delores, a strikingly beautiful woman, loved to sing and laugh and enjoy life to its fullest. A product of a broken home with an absentee father, Delores was raised with her sister Dorothy by their mother, Olga in the Saint Louis area. Olga, loved to fellowship with the men and always looking for a stable companion to help raise her daughters, lived a life of "partying" in hopes of finding a suitable mate. The consequences of this carefree, loose lifestyle, set the wrong example for her daughters whom emulated their mother's lifestyle.

After their marriage, Delores was not really ready to settle down to a "family" life and wanted to continue her previous "single" lifestyle in spite of the responsibilities of a family.

1948 Childbirth of son; Floyd Thomas Pratt

Floyd Thomas Pratt born at City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 3 January 1948.

To this union one child was born, Floyd Thomas Pratt, your author, born 3 January 1848 at City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States. At the time of my birth, Floyd was working as a shipping clerk for the Brown Shoe Company.

1948 Divorce of Floyd Theodore Pratt and Delores Virginia (BROWN) Pratt [1] Circuit Court of Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States File #21726-D: Floyd Pratt and Delores (BROWN) Pratt were divorced on 14 December 1948 in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States

After several attempts at reconciling their marriage, at the age of 22, Floyd and Delores officially divorced on, 14 December 1948, in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States. Delores recognizing that her lifestyle was not conducive to good parenting, gave custody of "Tommy" to Floyd stating, "He could probably raise Tommy in a better atmosphere."

1948 Vocation Change

Floyd took a job with the DoAll Southern Co. in St. Louis welding band-saw blades.

Many times Floyd took Tommy out to his mother's home in Bourbon and Rue willingly gave assistance with Tommy's care. On several occasions, Floyd took Tommy to live with his sister; Mary Edith (**PRATT**) Skaggs.

However, Mary Edith was childless and became attached to Tommy and wanted to adopt Tommy as hers and Chester's son. Floyd not wanting to give up custody of Tommy, refused the offer. Edith and Chester desiring a child of their own decided to adopt a son and adopted Daniel "Danny" Paul Skaggs.

Coupled with making a living and needing help with a small baby, Floyd aged 23, remarried on 18 February 1949 to Dorothy (**BEDNAREK**) born 4 December 1926 in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States daughter of Josef "Joseph" Sr. (1894-1949) & Anna (1909-1994) (**KIER**) Bednarek.

1949 Marriage of Floyd Theodore Pratt and Dorothy (BEDNAREK)

[1] Saint Louis (city), Missouri Marriage Record Book "174", Page 255: Marriage License #542982

Floyd Theodore Pratt 5111 Cates Ave., St. Louis, Missouri, 22 years old, and Dorothy Ann Bednarek, 4107 Clarence Ave., Saint Louis, Missouri, age 22 years old, were married on 18 February 1949 in Saint Louis(city), Missouri, United States

1949 Vocation Change

Floyd was working for the Brown Shoe Co. located at 18th & Washington, in St. Louis filling shipping orders.

1950 Vocation Change

At age 23-24, Floyd worked for the Pleetox Products Company in St. Louis, which made celophane tape machines. Floyd's duties were to recondition used tape machines for resale.

Floyd had developed a keen mind, coupled with a natural leadership ability to manage men and take charge, traits that did not go unnoticed by the corporate community of St. Louis.

1951 Vocation Change

Bob Bushline, Branch Manager of the General Detroit Corporation http://www.vintagefe.com/general.html wholesaling fire fighting equipment to the businesses of St. Louis and surrounding communites was leaving the St. Louis area, promoted to the home office in Detroit, Michigan. Sharing a building with the Pleetox Products Company, and knowing Floyd by aquaintance, offered Floyd the position of branch manager of the General Detroit Corporation. At age 24, Floyd accepted the position as branch manager for the St. Louis Metropolitan area, Floyd shared the oiffice at Jefferson & Locust in St. Louis at \$250 per month wholesaling fire fighting equipment. (I remember a large metal fire extinguisher in our basement all through my youth. Probably a souvenir from his tenure at General Detroit Corporation.)

During this time circa 1949-1951, due to a massive tragic fire in the city of Saint Louis, many lives were lost. Up until this fire, there were no laws requiring businesses, commercial residences or apartments to carry fire fighting equipment on their premises. After the advent of this terrible fire and massive loss of life, the City of St. Louis passed an ordinance requiring fire fighting equipment to be made available in such locations and this equipment had to be serviced and maintained.

This ordinance forced all businesses and rooming houses in the St. Louis area to buy fire extinguishers from companies that offered such products. Floyd could not keep up with the demand. His sales and orders forced the home office to increase their production of this equipment and product sales went through the roof.

1951 Childbirth of son: Michael Lee Pratt

Micahel Lee Pratt was born in Christian Hospital, North Florissant, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 1 January 1951.

On 1 January 1951, Floyd and Dorothy's first child; Michael Lee Pratt was born at Christian Hospital, North Florissant, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

1951 Family Move

From 5111 Cates Ave., St. Louis, Missouri to Bradock, Allegheny, Pennsylvania, United States

1951-1952 Family Move

General Detroit Coporation took noticed of their young branch manager with his sales success and saleman leadership skills and promoted Floyd to Branch Manager of the Pittsburgh branch at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. This lead to an increase in income and he became responsible covering 5 states for the General Detroit Corporation. Floyd was asked to relocate to Braddock, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania where on 12 October 1953, his third and final son; Larry Winslow Pratt was born.

I remember as a 3 or 4 year old child, Dad would take us boys to a babysitter via the Pennsylvania Turnpike. When we entered the turnpike, he had to pay a toll and they would give us a ticket stub as a receipt. Since, we traveld this turnpike every day, I started collecting these ticket stubs, one from the morning and one from the evening trip home and I remember they grew to over 1" in thickness...it was a game and fun. I also remember this turnpike had a multiple of tunnels and it was fun hearing the roar of the engine of the car echo in the tunnels as we drove through them. At the rest stops and over passes, I remember there were Howard Johnson Restaurants.

1953 Childbirth of son; Larry Winslow Pratt

Larry Winslow Pratt was born in Braddock General Hospital, Braddock, Allegheny, Pennsylvania, United States on 12 October 1953.

1954 Family Move

After a period of a year, his family (probably Mom) disliking the Pittsburgh area, urged Floyd to return to Saint Louis, Missouri to be closer to family and friends, where he obtained a postion with the Continental Casually Insurance Company as a field representative in their disability division.

His success in the insurance business led to a position as Vice President and Agency Director for National Home Life Insurance Company. This required him to travel from coast to coast calling on agency managers promoting Life, Health and Disability insurance for National Home Life.

1960 Family Move

During his travels he met Fred H. Leach, an agent and President of Atlas Life Insurance Company of Sioux Falls, South Dakota who liked Floyd and made Floyd a lucrative offer as Executive Vice President of the company. Fred owned several corporations based in Yankton, South Dakota. Floyd accepted his offer and left National Home Life Insurance Company in St. Louis, Missouri and on the 1st of September 1960 moved his family to Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Unknown to Floyd, Atlas Life was on the verge of bankruptcy however, with Floyd's leadership he expanded the sales force and increased sales production. After 3.5 years [1963], the company showing a profit under Floyd's leadersip, was sold and merged with another company, Sierra Life Insurance Company of Twin Falls, Idaho. Floyd was offered a postion with them, however, under protests from his family, Twin Falls, Idaho seemed too far off the beaten path to relocate his young family. Floyd sought employment elsewhere.

1963 Family Move

In 1963, Floyd was offered a position with a life insurance company in Elgin, Illinois. He relocated his family from Sioux Falls to Bartlett, Illinois, a small hamlet south of Chicago. Floyd put together insurance packages to security brokers by marketing whole life insurance products with their investment programs. Whole Life Insurance contracts offered the client stability and proof of return with guaranteed options as long as premiums were paid. The premiums never increased, the face amount of the policy never decreased, a cash value reserve was established and the policy had a lifetime duration.

This new position required Floyd to obtain a securities license and Floyd was placing \$10 million dollars of life insurance per month. A problem developed when the securities brokers did not want to offer whole life insurance to their clients but wanted to offer term life insurance which was cheaper for the clients with an attitude of letting the clients invest the difference. This type of philosophy sounds good on paper but never works in real life, sort of like the 10 commandments. Term insurance was designed to only cover the client for a specified term ofthe contract. There were no cash values and the premiums could increase on a yearly basis. The preiums were cheap and inexpense, thus allowing more of the investment capital to be applied from the insurance premiums to the investment vehicles.

Instead of investing the difference in premium dollars, the clients would spend the difference thus defeating their investiment purposes. Floyd disturbed by this shift in investment procedures, consulted with the president of the company and informed him that the securities program was not working out to the advantage of the customer or the insurance company and Floyd wanted to move on to a different position. The president agreed and dissappointed but still appreciative, he gave Floyd a financial severance package and agreed to pay his salary for a month while he looked for another position. Floyd spent about 6 months with this company.

Guy Ferguson, an associate and good friend of the family, would join Floyd and friends on pheasant hunting trips into central South Dakota. Mr. Ferguson was the owner of the Ferguson Employment Agency, one of the most influential employment agencies for executives in the Chicago area. Their friendship began when one day after a day of

phesant hunting, Floyd invited Guy to his home and Dorothy cooked a fabulous pheasant dinner Mr. Ferguson was so impressed with Floyd & Dorothy's hospitality that Mr. Ferguson reciprocated with a family dinner to his home in prestigious downtown Chicago.

When Mr. Ferguson heard that Floyd was looking for an executive position, Guy secured a postion for Floyd as vice president with the Madison American Guaranty Insurance Corporation (MAGIC) in Madison, Wisconsin, specifically a subsidiary called Great American Insurance Company.

After an interview with Neil A. Woodington (1927-1989) owner and President of the Madison American Guaranty Insurance Corporation, Floyd was offered a postition as Vice President of Great American Insurance Company of Madison, Wisconsin.

1965 Family Move

In, 1965, Floyd moved his family from Bartlett, Illinois to Madison, Wisconsin. Mr. Woodington also owned a residential home building company; Brooks & Woodington, Inc. Impressed with Floyd, Mr. Woodington gave Floyd a \$5000 bonus to buy one of Mr. Woodington's new \$22,000 houses.

This act of generosity, allowed Floyd to move his family into a new spit level, bay windowed, two-car garage house at 1133 Winston Drive, Madison, Wisconsin. This house sat on a hill at the corner of Winston Drive and Woodington Way. The Falk Elementary grade school was across the street, where Floyd's children attended..

Floyd's brother, Roy Lee Pratt (1924-2003), enjoyed a career in the moving business with Von Der Ahe Van Lines and moved Floyd and family from Bartlett, Illinois and in the process gave Floyd and family an old upright piano that had been left on his moving truck. I used to play this piano in the basement.

Floyd's duties and responsibilities with the newly created Great American Insurance Company was to start a Life Insurance division within of the Casualty Company that Neil Woodington owned.

Neil Woodington always strapped for cash in the multicorporations that he owned and operated, always seeking cash investors sold a large percenage of the Great American Insurance Company to actor; Robert Sterling, born William Sterling Hart (1917- 2006). http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robert Sterling

As part of the agreement, between Neil Woodington and Sterling, Sterling was allowed to bring his "people" in to run the company. This meant a massive replacement for present employees and Floyd's services were no longer needed.

1965 Family Move

After a period of less than a year Floyd and family decided to move back to Missouri and rented a home at Montauk Drive, Creve Coeur, Missouri in Saint Louis (county) circa 1965.

Floyd began working for an insurance agency in Florissant, Saint Louis (county),

Missouri.

1966 Family Move

In 1966, we rented a home at Bonfils Drive, Bridgeton, Saint Louis (county), Missouri and in the same year, we bought a home at 12706 Brumley Drive, Bridgeton, Saint Louis (county), Missouri.

Floyd was on a business trip and his wife Dorothy had seen this 3 bedroom, one-car garage, fenced back yard, two story home on Brumley Drive and decided she liked it. Without consulting Floyd, she took all the cash she could muster, even from the children's piggy banks and put a down payment on the home. Floyd called home and she informed him that she had bought a house. Floyd was surprised but pleased with her choice and they lived there from 1966-1993.

1967 Created the Floyd Pratt Insurance Agency

The insurance agency that Floyd worked for in Florissant, was sold to a bank who wanted the customer name base to sell their products and services. Floyd asked and was allowed to buy the insurance book of business with insurance company contracts and moved that agency and renamed it Floyd Pratt Insurance Agency to his home on Brumley Drive.

With his children grown and gone, Floyd utilized two bedrooms as his agency offices allowing clients easy ground level access. His agency grew and prospered under his direction and he increased his book of business with additional contracts with companies such as the Silvey Companies out of Columbia, Missouri where he won numerous awards as a top agency producer, Fireman's Fund Insurance Company and various others.

He succeeded to the extent that he and Dorothy took many trips to Vegas and traveled the United States extensively. He has trained his brother-in-law; Roger Boehner in the business and several other agents over the years.

1993 Retirement and Family Move

In 1993, he retired from the business and sold his agency's book of business for \$100,000 to another agency. He and Dorothy sold their Brumley home and bought a home at 25 Hibbard Street, St. Clair, Missouri for \$40,000 cash to be closer to his grandchildren whom also lived in rural St. Clair.

Floyd and Dorothy lived confortably taking trips to South Dakota to visit friends, Las Vegas to vist friends and various other locations as long as their health remained strong.

Research Note

As the years grew, and older age set in, Dad became more feeble and prone to falling down. I saw the writing on the wall and wrote an article titled " **Signs**" concerning his deteriorated physical condition. Based on my observations over the years of seniors in the Florida area, I saw a pattern that begins with loss of equilibrium resulting in periods of falling down, which eventually leads to death.

As the months wore on, our phone calls were frequent and he would disclose his falling down episodes were also more frequent. His mind was still sharp and he could recall events with ease but when he would go to the bathroom or take out the trash he would collapse and fall to the ground.

Through his routine physical check-ups, his doctors discovered obstructions in his gall bladder. They scheduled an operation sometime in July 2013.

But before he went into the Washington Medical Hospital in Washington, Missouri he began having trouble maintaining his concentration. As I would talk to him on the phone his mind would wander and he would forget he was even taking to someone on the phone. I found I could no longer have a conversation with any form of continuity with him.

After he entered into the hospital and had his gall bladder operation, due to the deterioration of his muscles and mental cohesiveness, he was not allowed to return home for a while because he not only had 2 heart attacks while he was in the hospital, but he fell down several times, hitting his head.

The Doctors agreed to give him physical therapy, which helped a little and allowed him to return home. During his home stay, he fell down several times and Mom had to call the fire department to come pick him up. This occurred with such frequency, they finally demanded he be returned to the hospital.

While at the hospital, he fell more times and the doctors decided he needed hospice treatment. He was transferred to the St. Clair Nursing Home hospice department and could no longer walk on his own. He tried to get up on several occasions and fell hitting his head.

On Monday, November 4, 2013, Mom said Dad ate a half a bowl of oatmeal and went off to sleep and when the hospice staff tried to wake him up, he was unresponsive. He remained in that condition for several days.

Prompted by the spirit, I decided to call the Sullivan Missouri Missionaries and ask them to go over to the St. Clair Nursing Home and give Dad a blessing.

Around 3pm in the afternoon of the 7th of November 2013, I called the Branch President of the Sullivan, Missouri Branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and asked him if he could get a message to the missionaries.

Sullivan, Missouri Branch President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints; Karvel Kofoed, stated the missionaries were being reassigned and he would be glad to give my father a blessing.

He stated he would ask another Priesthood Brother to join him and they would drive from Sullivan to Saint Clair and perform the blessing. I thanked him and informed him Dad would not be responsive and no one would be there to disturb them. He said he would report back to me when they had finished.

Around 8:30pm that night I received a call from President Kofoed. He stated he and a new Elder Brother from his ward went to the nursing home and gave dad a blessing. He stated I was correct, Dad was unresponsive and no one did disturb them.

He stated he had asked the "new" Elder to give Dad the blessing and this was this Elder's first blessing. The Holy Spirit gave Dad a "release blessing" releasing his spirit to join his Heavenly Father with comfort, peace and love.

They returned to Sullivan and called me. I thanked them for their dedication to their duty and felt better.

Mom called shortly after midnight and said Dad had crossed the veil a little after midnight.

For a more detailed report on the events after the death of Floyd Theodore Pratt including the Temple events of 2014 and 2015, see the report " Floyd Theodore Pratt his Conversion and Baptism" from this author.

2013 Death of Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt

Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt died in the Saint Clair Nursing Center, 1035 Plaza Court North, Saint Clair, Central Twp, Franklin County, Missouri, United States on 8 November 2013 at 12:59pm.

[1] U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-Current

Name: Floyd T Pratt Born: 6 Jan 1927 Died: 8 Nov 2013 State (Year) SSN issued: Missouri (Before 1951)

2013 Burial of Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt

Cremated burial at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States

Research Note

After he was cremated, they had to wait until Thursday because the weather was too cold for Mom to bury him at Jefferson Barracks, Also, they were informed they only had 30 minutes for the funeral because so many of veterans are dying there is a waiting list and they need to keep moving the burial processions along.

More Controvery with the Find A Grave Organization

Why I STILL can no longer support www.findagrave.com by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2015

After contributing over 1000 grave memorials, comments, stories and articles about various ancestors, Mr. Pratt removed his support for the Find A Grave website and severed his relationship with the Find A Grave organization. Due to unethical practices conducted by the FAG administration, this loss of ancestral data has been a serious blow to family history researchers. Sadly, I have asked them to remove all memorials, flowers and any references relating or mentioning my account or contributions. I have had an uneasy relationship with their administration for the last 5 years and in my opinion, they have lost faith and violated the public trust. I continue to list various Find A Grave memorials in my publications strictly to affix the burial locations in my reports. As usual, most memorial data on Find A Grave is in conflict with the facts and should

not be accepted without research validation. Those who post information on Findagrave fail to do serious research on their postings. They either take the information from an unreliable death certificate or from an equally unreliable headstone. The only reason I bother to list the FAG postings in my C2G profiles is to validate the burial location of the deceased. All other information unless researched by a qualified family history researcher...supported with documentation and source references is questionable and should not be taken as accurate. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

The Following is an explantaion leading to the removal of Mr. Pratt's support for the Find A Grave Adminstration and organization.

Find A Grave Memorial# 122585336 Created by: Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.... Record added: Jan 01, 2014

Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt Birth: Jan. 6, 1927 Bourbon Crawford County Missouri, USA Death: Nov. 8, 2013 Saint Clair Franklin County Missouri, USA Burial: Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery Oakville (St. Louis County) St. Louis County Missouri, USA

After checking the Find A Grave Memorials and finding none with Dad's Isiting I posted the above memorial.

After checking 6 months later I found FAG had removed my memorial and posted the memorial listed below. As you can see this memorial was posted **ON THE DAY HE DIED**, which would have been impossible for the FAG administration to have known since he was buried on the following Thursday.

This indicates some fraud on the part of the FAG administration and I believe the Diane is a phony name and the FAG administration are the actual culprits.

Find A Grave Memorial# 120000281 Created by: Diane Record added: Nov 08, 2013

Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt Birth: Jan. 6, 1927 Bourbon Crawford County Missouri, USA Death: Nov. 8, 2013

Saint Clair Franklin County Missouri, USA Burial: Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery Lemay St. Louis County Missouri, USA

After discovering what FAG had done, I sent the following email.

Floyd Pratt sent to Katrina at ancestrywrsupport@custhelp.com at Find A Grave 19 October 2014 6:35 PM (1 minute ago) to Ancestry.com

Katrina, since you have been so helpful before, need your help concerning my father's FAGM#

My father; Floyd Theodore Pratt died on the 8th of November 2013 and I checked with the Jefferson Barracks Cemetery and he was not posted in this cemetery. So, on 1 January 2014 I posted the following...

Find A Grave Memorial# 122585336 Created by: Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.... Record

added: Jan 01, 2014 Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt Birth: Jan. 6, 1927 Bourbon Crawford County Missouri, USA Death: Nov. 8, 2013 Saint Clair Franklin County Missouri, USA Burial: Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery Oakville (St. Louis County) St. Louis County Missouri, USA

Today, I went into his memorial and found out it had been merged with Created by: Diane Record added: Nov 08, 2013 Find A Grave Memorial# 120000281

My question to you, how did this Diane post a memorial and back date it to the day he died using the exact same dates and wording I had used in my original memorial? Then she had the audacity to delete my memorial so she could post her name to my father's memorial.

She even used his nickname, which I had originally posted in January 2014. She doesn't know him and when I checked Jefferson Barracks FAG website in January he was NOT LISTED, so I know my memorial was the original.

Therefore, the only way she could have posted his memorial on the day he died and he had not yet been buried in Jefferson Barracks until the 14 of November 2013, would have been to create the memorial AFTER my memorial and back date her posted date.

I don't know who this Diane (#47064130) is but she appears to have done something in violation of Find A Grave rules.

If you could explain this anomaly to me and transfer my father to my account (# 47007101) I would greatly appreciate it. I wonder how many other memorials have been appropriated using this same tactic?

Thank you for your assistance. Floyd

EMAIL to Katrina at Find A Grave

Floyd Pratt <floydpratt59@gmail.com> 9/22/14 to Ancestry.com
Katrina, concerning Find A Grave Memorial # 120000281, which I previously
addressed in a prior email, either you or Diane has transferred this memorial to me.
Since I was the original creator of this memorial, I want Diane's name and date
removed from this memorial and my original date of 1 January 2014 with my name as
the creator placed on this memorial.

Diane never did create this memorial and back dated the date to remove my memorial and create her own.

If you cannot accomplish this for me and set things right, then please send me the manager, director, or person of authority running the Find A Grave department of ancestry.com so I may converse with them.

If I do not hear from you, I will assume, your company is concerned this matter may involve litigation, however, if you correct this as I have requested, then I will drop this matter, otherwise, the president of ancestry.com will be informed of this matter.

Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

EMAIL from Katrina at Find A Grave

Response Via Email (Katrina) 09/25/2014 07:53 AM Hello Floyd,

Thank you for contacting Find A Grave in regard to your father's memorials. The other memorials was added as F. Pratt. It is likely that the search just didn't bring it up. The memorial was not backdated. I have merged this memorial into yours as you are his daughter. Thanks very much. If you need additional assistance, please feel free to reply to this message. Sincerely, Katrina findagrave.com

EMAII from Katrina at Find A Grave

Response Via Email (Katrina) 09/29/2014 11:27 AM Hello Floyd,

Thank you for contacting Find A Grave in regard to this memorial. I removed that memorial last week. This is the memorial that remained.

http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GRid=122585336

Thanks very much. If you need additional assistance, please feel free to reply to this message. Sincerely, Katrina findagrave.com

Due to Find A Grave's fraudulent activity since my association with them 5 years ago, I wrote the following email.

EMAIL to Katrina at Find A Grave

Customer By Email (Floyd Pratt) 09/24/2014 02:12 AM

My member name is Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. FAG#47007101 I no longer wish to be associated with your company. Please remove all photos, flowers and any memorials I have remaining in my account. Floyd Pratt

EMAII From Katrina at Find A Grave

Subject Please remove my membership Discussion Thread Response Via Email (Katrina) 10/03/2014 01:01 PM

Hello Floyd,

Thank you for contacting Find A Grave in regard to your account. This has been removed. Thanks very much.

If you need additional assistance, please feel free to reply to this message. Sincerely, Katrina findagrave.com

For more information regarding our products, please follow the links listed below.

MY Find a Grave Statement

Since I have had problems with Find A Grave previously, I had quit their organization several years ago and wrote the article " Why I can no longer support www.findagrave.com http://www.findagrave.com".

When ancestry.com bought Find A Grave I decided to give Find A Grave another chance and started to post my research on their website. After 100+ postings the above incident took place.

I believe the "Diane" is a phony non-existing handle the Find A Grave administration

has created so they can blame this "Diane" for their shenanigans.

When i wrote to "Diane" she never did email or talk to me concerning her theft of Dad's Memorial. Just one day, like a miracle, Dad's memorial was reissued back in my name with my information and dates. I believe FAG perpetuated this fraud to "punish me" for complaining about their business practices and services.

Instead of taking my complaints as constructive criticism, they took the lower road and tried to silence the author of the complaints. But the evidence is there, they were caught lying and misrepresenting someone else's memorial.

If I were a man of financial means, I would drag the Find A Grave administration into court and "punish them" for their deceitful practices.

However, I am not of financial means and cannot seek justice for the wrong they have done so, I have turned them and their organization over to a higher court for justice.

Due to their latest incident I have now amended my article from " Why I can no longer support www.findagrave.com http://www.findagrave.com" to "Why I STILL can no longer support www.findagrave.com http://www.findagrave.com".

Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

Various Emails from Well wishers concerning Floyd Theodore Pratt's passing

Email to all 7 November 2013

Many of you may wonder why I removed my name off of facebook...I have a 7 year old computer and it took forever to load stuff from facebook. This is why I prefer emails. Those of you who are family...including my LDS church family, Dad as some of you know has been in the St. Clair, Missouri nursing home since his gall bladder operation. It appears he had been deteriorating everyday and now has slipped into a coma. No strength in his muscles, and he could no longer carry on a conversation. The last of his family generation. I had already started a book on him years ago called The Pratt Chronicles...Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt. They are giving him a morphine drip and when they do that...it shuts down the organs in the body and death follows shortly. I was intending a trip to see him last Friday but the previous week Bonnie took me down to Sarasota for a two hour trip on Saturday and on Sunday and I was so unstable she feared I would not make the 12 hours to St. Louis and 12 hours back so we had to cancel our plans. I'll see Dad again across the veil. For the last several years I had been picking his brain and collecting as much family history data as I could because I knew this day was coming. Since I could not make it to see him and give him a Priesthood blessing...I called President Koford of the Sullivan, Missouri branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Later Day Saints and with another brethren they went to St. Clair and gave Dad a comfort blessing last night. President Koford called me today and told me they blessed him with comfort and peace and released his spirit to join Heavenly Father. This means when Heavenly Father calls Dad's spirit to join him, he will go easy and comfortably without a struggle of pain or difficulty. This is why, I always suggest you call the Missionaries of our Church to give those loved ones who are sick a blessing because I have seen miracles and am a witness to the

healing authority they possess. I will let you know Dad's condition when I find out more. Floyd

From James Pratt Jr. Nov 8 at 9:32 AM

Floyd Pratt

Please keep me posted!! My thoughts and prayers are with uncle Floyd and your family!

From Laura (PRATT) Valentine treefroggie@comcast.net Nov 8 at 9:21 AM

Floyd Pratt

This was very well said. Thanks for sharing such a personal journey. It may help others as well. Talk to you later dad.

Sent to all Friday, November 08, 2013 4:05 PM

To: wannaridehd1@yahoo.com

Subject: Dad

Floyd Thedore Pratt crossed the veil at 12.59am today.

Thank you to those of you who have responded with kind words and sentiments.

Attached is the Abbreviated Obituary of Floyd Theodore Pratt.

Floyd

From Diana wannaridehd1@yahoo.com (daughter of Uncle Roy) nov 8 at 11:54 AM

floydpratt59@yahoo.com

I am so sorry to hear about your Dad. He was a really nice man and even though I didn't see him a lot, I always thought of him as my favorite Uncle. Mom always spoke kindly of him as well. I'm sorry your health prevented you from visiting him but I'm sure he knew how deeply he was loved. He will be missed here but he will be welcomed to the Pratt reunion in the sky.

From Kathleen Richwalski Nov 8 at 5:25 PM (Nice lady bought 6 of my books and eventually spent over \$400 on books from me.)

Floyd Pratt

Dear Floyd,

I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your Father, I know you will surely miss him. But as both know, we will one day, be with out parents and loved ones again. I am sure your parents are so very proud of the work you have done. May God continue to bless you and your Family and keep you in His Care. Sincerely, Katie

From Andrea Rounds Nov 8 at 5:40 PM (Member of the church who I helped with her family history)

Floyd Pratt

Floyd, I am so sorry for your loss. Even though we know we will see our loved ones again, it is always difficult when they pass out of this life and we know we won't be able to see or talk to them again until we pass through the veil ourselves. May the Lord's peace be with you.

Andrea Rounds

From Laura (PRATT) Valentine treefroggie@comcast.net Nov 9 at 8:39 AM

Floyd Pratt

Oh, dad. You did this so well. Thank you for doing this. No one else could have done it from memory like you did. I was crying. Love, laura

From Laura Valentine (granddaughter of Dad) Nov 8 at 11:45 AM

Floyd Pratt 'Bonnie Pratt'

Photos image001.jpg of flower arrangement

I ordered this bouquet to be delivered tomorrow to grandma along with the following message: Grandma, we love you and are thinking of you. Our hearts are filled with sorrow. Please enjoy these flowers and hopefully they will make you smile a little in this difficult time. Love, Laura and Jason Valentine

From James Pratt Jr. Nov 8 at 6:45 PM

Floyd Pratt

I would like to pay my respects. Please let me know funeral arrangements. My thoughts and prayers are with you cousin. Love James Jr.

From Russ Hardwick Nov 9 at 9:06 AM

Floyd Pratt

He enjoyed Family History and shared what he knew with many others. My heart goes out to your family and loss of a talented man. Sincerly, Russell Hardwick

From Wilma Pratt Nov 9 at 3:26 PM

Floyd Pratt

tommy and family: So sorry to hear of your loss. Don't know if you knew but we lost Don tues. GOD be with all of you. Wilma

From Lenny Gheldof Nov 10 at 10:26 PM

To Floyd Pratt

Hi Tom...

Our deepest condolences to You Tom, are Dear Friend, on the passing of your Dad. I haven't been too faithful to my e-mails lately so didn't hear about your Dad until we talked to Bonnie at Church this morning. Hope you are doing well and not taxing your health with this latest development and grief. We LOVE you guys a ton...If we can do any thing to make your burdens any less please contact Us...O K?? With Our Love, Leilani & Lenny

From Pratt, Barry 11/11/2013 Today at 10:23 AM

To Floyd Pratt

Tom, we were all saddened to hear about the loss of Unice Floyd. Our thoughts and prayers are with your dad and those he leaves behind. They're all gone now. We all have you to thank for getting the history recorded.

Sent to All 11 November 2013

Once again I would like to thank all of you for your kind words and condolences concerning the passing of my father. He and I had talked about his passing many times and I don't think any amount of preparation can really prepare the sense of loss one feels when that day arrives.

Attached is a short (by my standards) history of Dad's military days during World War

II. I think you will find it informative and humorous.

Thank you once again, his eldest son, Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

From Carol Lee Nov 11, 2013 Today at 2:30 PM (lady I helped with her family history)

'Floyd Pratt'

Floyd, I hadn't heard, and am so sorry. My sympathies are with you and your family during this time of sorrow.Carol

Abbreviated Obituary of Floyd Theodore Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

Floyd Theodore Pratt known to family and friends as "Ted", 4th child of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander (1983-1947) & Rue Flavilla (1894-1983) (**JOHNSON**) Pratt was born on the 6th of January 1927 at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri. Floyd passed away on the 8th of November 2013 at 12.59 am at the Saint Clair Nursing Center, 1035 Plaza Court North, Saint Clair, Central Twp, Franklin County, Missouri. Floyd had several heart attacks following a gall bladder operation.

As a young man, at the age of 14, armed with an eighth grade education; Floyd left Bourbon and went to Saint Louis working various jobs, and by 1942 Floyd was paying \$10 a month to his Uncle Henry Arthur "Art" & Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Pratt for room & board in a flat on Texas Avenue.

Floyd was drafted into World War II on the 26 th of March 1945 at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. As a Private First Class, Floyd was part of the occupational force at Yokohama, Japan and was honorably discharged 20 November 1946 at Fort Lewis, near Seattle, Washington.

Skilled with a natural ability for leadership and salesmanship, Floyd was offered a position as General Manager for the General Detroit Corporation selling fire extinguishing equipment. Floyd's success in this position catapulted Floyd into a long and successful career in the business community where Floyd reached the pinnacle of success as the President of the Atlas Life Insurance Company in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Returning to Saint Louis, Floyd established the Floyd Pratt Insurance Agency as an independent broker, until his retirement in 1993.

Floyd is survived by wife; Dorothy (**BEDNAREK**) Pratt of St. Clair, Missouri, son; Michael Lee and wife; Sandra (**TILLEWEIN**) Pratt of St. Clair; son; Floyd Thomas and wife; Bonnie (**BACH**) Pratt of Bradenton, Florida; and 5 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death are his parents, son; Larry Winslow Pratt, and siblings; sister, Mary Edith (**PRATT**) Skaggs, wife of Chester; brother Carl Benjamin Pratt and wife; Mary Theresa (**BRESCIA**) Pratt; brother Roy Lee Pratt and wife; Bernice (**STRAIN**) Pratt; sister; Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**); and brother; James Henry Pratt and wife Juanita (**MILLER**) Pratt.

Funeral	services were at	and interment was	conducted with military

honors in the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Saint Louis, Missouri.

Biography of Floyd Theodore Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. Floyd Theodore Pratt aka "Ted", 4th child of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander (1983-1947) & Rue Flavilla (1894-1983) (JOHNSON) Pratt was born on the 6th of January 1927 at the Uhlinger Farm on Highway "C" outside of Bourbon, Missouri.

While a youth, Floyd obtained an education around the Bourbon area until age 14 (1941) when his family moved to Lafayette & Jefferson at St. Louis, Missouri. This family move included father; Lum, mother; Rue, brother; Roy, Floyd and brother Jim Pratt around 1941.

He worked at the Supreme Sandwich Shop, Jefferson & Cherokee in St. Louis as a cook, and took a job at Bemis Brothers Bag Company, 3rd Street, St. Louis, as a Lithographic Pressman (Pressman, rotary lithographic), where he was drafted into the Army in 1945.

At the age of 20, Floyd was drafted into World War II at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri on 26 March 1945. He received his basic training at Camp Rucker, Alabama. Then he transferred to Camp Gordon Johnson, Florida south of Apalachicola, where he was trained to operate small boats including PT boats. He was going to be dispatched to Japan and was trained to navigate the dangerous reefs off of the shores of Japan. However, the war had ended before his arrival and he was assigned to ferry troups into the ports of Japan. He served as a Private 1st Class with the 11th Major Port Battalion and was part of the Army of the occupational force in Yokohama, Japan. His duties included managing and storing railroad cars loaded with the personal belongings of the occupational troops and locating homes and barracks for these troops. He was discharged on 20 November 1946 at Fort Lewis, near Seattle, Washington, United States. His parents had moved from St. Louis back to Bourbon and he returned home in Bourbon, Missouri to live with his parents.

After a few months helping his father in the stone masonary business, Floyd decided this work was difficult and unpleasant and not for him and decided to move to Saint Louis and find work and lived temporarily with his Uncle Henry Arthur "Art" and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Pratt in a flat on Texas Avenue. He paid them \$10 a month for room and board.

At the age of 20, Floyd married Delores Virginia (1925-1981) (**BROWN**) daughter of Peter Conley (1893-1972) & Olga Elmiria (1907-1993) (**O'DANIEL**) Brown of Saint Louis, Missouri on 1 March 1947 at Saint Clair, Missouri.

Delores, a strikingly beautiful woman, loved to sing and laugh and enjoy life to its fullest. A product of a broken home with an absentee father, Delores was raised with her sister Dorothy by their mother, Olga in the Saint Louis area. Olga, loved to fellowship with the men and always looking for a stable companion to help raise her daughters, lived a life of "partying" in hopes of finding a suitable mate. The consequences of this carefree, loose lifestyle, set the wrong example for her daughters whom emulated their mother's lifestyle.

After their marriage, Delores was not really ready to settle down to a "family" life and wanted to continue her previous "single" lifestyle in spite of the responsibilities of a family.

To this union one child was born, Floyd Thomas Pratt, your author, born 3 January 1848 at City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States. At the time of my birth, Floyd was working as a shipping clerk for the Brown Shoe Company.

After several attempts at reconciling their marriage, at the age of 22, Floyd and Delores officially divorced on, 14 December 1948, in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States. Delores recognizing that her lifestyle was not conducive to good parenting, gave custody of "Tommy" to Floyd stating, "He could probably raise Tommy in a better atmosphere."

Floyd took a job with the DoAll Southern Co. in St. Louis welding band-saw blades.

Many times Floyd took Tommy out to his mother's home in Bourbon and Rue willingly gave assistance with Tommy's care. On several occasions, Floyd took Tommy to live with his sister; Mary Edith (**PRATT**) Skaggs.

However, Mary Edith was childless and became attached to Tommy and wanted to adopt Tommy as hers and Chester's son. Floyd not wanting to give up custody of Tommy, refused the offer. Edith and Chester desiring a child of their own decided to adopt a son and adopted Daniel "Danny" Paul Skaggs.

Coupled with making a living and needing help with a small baby, Floyd aged 23, remarried on 18 February 1949 to Dorothy (**BEDNAREK**) born 4 December 1926 in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States daughter of Josef "Joseph" Sr. (1894-1949) & Anna (1909-1994) (**KIER**) Bednarek.

Floyd was working for the Brown Shoe Co. located at 18th & Washington, in St. Louis filling shipping orders.

At age 23-24, Floyd worked for the Pleetox Products Company in St. Louis, which made celophane tape machines. Floyd's duties were to recondition used tape machines for resale.

Floyd had developed a keen mind, coupled with a natural leadership ability to manage men and take charge, traits that did not go unnoticed by the corporate community of St. Louis.

Bob Bushline, Branch Manager of the General Detroit Corporation http://www.vintagefe.com/general.html wholesaling fire fighting equipment to the businesses of St. Louis and surrounding communites was leaving the St. Louis area, promoted to the home office in Detroit, Michigan. Sharing a building with the Pleetox Products Company, and knowing Floyd by aquaintance, offered Floyd the position of branch manager of the General Detroit Corporation. At age 24, Floyd accepted the position as branch manager for the St. Louis Metropolitan area, Floyd shared the

oiffice at Jefferson & Locust in St. Louis at \$250 per month wholesaling fire fighting equipment. (I remember a large metal fire extinguisher in our basement all through my youth. Probably a souvenir from his tenure at General Detroit Corporation.)

During this time circa 1949-1951, due to a massive tragic fire in the city of Saint Louis, many lives were lost. Up until this fire, there were no laws requiring businesses, commercial residences or apartments to carry fire fighting equipment on their premises. After the advent of this terrible fire and massive loss of life, the City of St. Louis passed an ordinance requiring fire fighting equipment to be made available in such locations and this equipment had to be serviced and maintained.

This ordinance forced all businesses and rooming houses in the St. Louis area to buy fire extinguishers from companies that offered such products. Floyd could not keep up with the demand. His sales and orders forced the home office to increase their production of this equipment and product sales went through the roof.

On 1 January 1951, Floyd and Dorothy's first child; Michael Lee Pratt was born at Christian Hospital, North Florissant, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

1951-1952 Family Move

General Detroit Coporation took noticed of their young branch manager with his sales success and saleman leadership skills and promoted Floyd to Branch Manager of the Pittsburgh branch at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. This lead to an increase in income and he became responsible covering 5 states for the General Detroit Corporation. Floyd was asked to relocate to Braddock, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania where on 12 October 1953, his third and final son; Larry Winslow Pratt was born.

I remember as a 3 or 4 year old child, Dad would take us boys to a babysitter via the Pennsylvania Turnpike. When we entered the turnpike, he had to pay a toll and they would give us a ticket stub as a receipt. Since, we traveld this turnpike every day, I started collecting these ticket stubs, one from the morning and one from the evening trip home and I remember they grew to over 1" in thickness...it was a game and fun. I also remember this turnpike had a multiple of tunnels and it was fun hearing the roar of the engine of the car echo in the tunnels as we drove through them. At the rest stops and over passes, I remember there were Howard Johnson Restaurants.

1954 Family Move

After a period of a year, his family (probably Mom) disliking the Pittsburgh area, urged Floyd to return to Saint Louis, Missouri to be closer to family and friends, where he obtained a postion with the Continental Casually Insurance Company as a field representative in their disability division.

His success in the insurance business led to a position as Vice President and Agency Director for National Home Life Insurance Company. This required him to travel from coast to coast calling on agency managers promoting Life, Health and Disability insurance for National Home Life.

1960 Family Move

During his travels he met Fred H. Leach, an agent and President of Atlas Life

Insurance Company of Sioux Falls, South Dakota who liked Floyd and made Floyd a lucrative offer as Executive Vice President of the company. Fred owned several corporations based in Yankton, South Dakota. Floyd accepted his offer and left National Home LIfe Insurance Company in St. Louis, Missouri and on the 1st of September 1960 moved his family to Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Unknown to Floyd, Atlas Life was on the verge of bankruptcy however, with Floyd's leadership he expanded the sales force and increased sales production. After 3.5 years [1963], the company showing a profit under Floyd's leadersip, was sold and merged with another company, Sierra Life Insurance Company of Twin Falls, Idaho. Floyd was offered a postion with them, however, under protests from his family, Twin Falls, Idaho seemed too far off the beaten path to relocate his young family. Floyd sought employment elsewhere.

1963 Family Move

In 1963, Floyd was offered a position with a life insurance company in Elgin, Illinois. He relocated his family from Sioux Falls to Bartlett, Illinois, a small hamlet south of Chicago. Floyd put together insurance packages to security brokers by marketing whole life insurance products with their investment programs. Whole Life Insurance contracts offered the client stability and proof of return with guaranteed options as long as premiums were paid. The premiums never increased, the face amount of the policy never decreased, a cash value reserve was established and the policy had a lifetime duration.

This new position required Floyd to obtain a securities license and Floyd was placing \$10 million dollars of life insurance per month. A problem developed when the securities brokers did not want to offer whole life insurance to their clients but wanted to offer term life insurance which was cheaper for the clients with an attitude of letting the clients invest the difference. This type of philosophy sounds good on paper but never works in real life, sort of like the 10 commandments. Term insurance was designed to only cover the client for a specified term ofthe contract. There were no cash values and the premiums could increase on a yearly basis. The preiums were cheap and inexpense, thus allowing more of the investment capital to be applied from the insurance premiums to the investment vehicles.

Instead of investing the difference in premium dollars, the clients would spend the difference thus defeating their investiment purposes. Floyd disturbed by this shift in investment procedures, consulted with the president of the company and informed him that the securities program was not working out to the advantage of the customer or the insurance company and Floyd wanted to move on to a different position. The president agreed and dissappointed but still appreciative, he gave Floyd a financial severance package and agreed to pay his salary for a month while he looked for another position. Floyd spent about 6 months with this company.

Guy Ferguson, an associate and good friend of the family, would join Floyd and friends on pheasant hunting trips into central South Dakota. Mr. Ferguson was the owner of the Ferguson Employment Agency, one of the most influential employment agencies for executives in the Chicago area. Their friendship began when one day after a day of phesant hunting, Floyd invited Guy to his home and Dorothy cooked a fabulous

pheasant dinner Mr. Ferguson was so impressed with Floyd & Dorothy's hospitality that Mr. Ferguson reciprocated with a family dinner to his home in prestigious downtown Chicago.

When Mr. Ferguson heard that Floyd was looking for an executive position, Guy secured a postion for Floyd as vice president with the Madison American Guaranty Insurance Corporation (MAGIC) in Madison, Wisconsin, specifically a subsidiary called Great American Insurance Company.

After an interview with Neil A. Woodington (1927-1989) owner and President of the Madison American Guaranty Insurance Corporation, Floyd was offered a postition as Vice President of Great American Insurance Company of Madison, Wisconsin.

1965 Family Move

In, 1965, Floyd moved his family from Bartlett, Illinois to Madison, Wisconsin. Mr. Woodington also owned a residential home building company; Brooks & Woodington, Inc. Impressed with Floyd, Mr. Woodington gave Floyd a \$5000 bonus to buy one of Mr. Woodington's new \$22,000 houses.

This act of generosity, allowed Floyd to move his family into a new spit level, bay windowed, two-car garage house at 1133 Winston Drive, Madison, Wisconsin. This house sat on a hill at the corner of Winston Drive and Woodington Way. The Falk Elementary grade school was across the street, where Floyd's children attended..

Floyd's brother, Roy Lee Pratt (1924-2003), enjoyed a career in the moving business with Von Der Ahe Van Lines and moved Floyd and family from Bartlett, Illinois and in the process gave Floyd and family an old upright piano that had been left on his moving truck. I used to play this piano in the basement.

Floyd's duties and responsibilities with the newly created Great American Insurance Company was to start a Life Insurance division within of the Casualty Company that Neil Woodington owned.

Neil Woodington always strapped for cash in the multicorporations that he owned and operated, always seeking cash investors sold a large percenage of the Great American Insurance Company to actor; Robert Sterling, born William Sterling Hart (1917—2006). http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robert_Sterling

As part of the agreement, between Neil Woodington and Sterling, Sterling was allowed to bring his "people" in to run the company. This meant a massive replacement for present employees and Floyd's services were no longer needed.

1965 Family Move

After a period of less than a year Floyd and family decided to move back to Missouri and rented a home at Montauk Drive, Creve Coeur, Missouri in Saint Louis (county) circa 1965.

Floyd began working for an insurance agency in Florissant, Saint Louis (county), Missouri.

1966 Family Move

In 1966, we rented a home at Bonfils Drive, Bridgeton, Saint Louis (county), Missouri and in the same year, we bought a home at 12706 Brumley Drive, Bridgeton, Saint Louis (county), Missouri.

Floyd was on a business trip and his wife Dorothy had seen this 3 bedroom, one-car garage, fenced back yard, two story home on Brumley Drive and decided she liked it. Without consulting Floyd, she took all the cash she could muster, even from the children's piggy banks and put a down payment on the home. Floyd called home and she informed him that she had bought a house. Floyd was surprised but pleased with her choice and they lived there from 1966-1993.

1967 Created the Floyd Pratt Insurance Agency

The insurance agency that Floyd worked for in Florissant, was sold to a bank who wanted the customer name base to sell their products and services. Floyd asked and was allowed to buy the insurance book of business with insurance company contracts and moved that agency and renamed it Floyd Pratt Insurance Agency to his home on Brumley Drive.

With his children grown and gone, Floyd utilized two bedrooms as his agency offices allowing clients easy ground level access. His agency grew and prospered under his direction and he increased his book of business with additional contracts with companies such as the Silvey Companies out of Columbia, Missouri where he won numerous awards as a top agency producer, Fireman's Fund Insurance Company and various others.

He succeeded to the extent that he and Dorothy took many trips to Vegas and traveled the United States extensively. He has trained his brother-in-law; Roger Boehner in the business and several other agents over the years.

1993 Retirement and Family Move

In 1993, he retired from the business and sold his agency's book of business for \$100,000 to another agency. He and Dorothy sold their Brumley home and bought a home at 25 Hibbard Street, St. Clair, Missouri for \$40,000 cash to be closer to his grandchildren whom also lived in rural St. Clair.

Floyd and Dorothy have enjoyed his retirment at that location with family and friends. As of this writing (2013) all of Floyd's parents, siblings and their spouses including his son; Larry has passed on.

Floyd, the Fire and Mercy 1935-1936

My dad; Floyd Theodore Pratt told me the following story about an incident in his youth.

During the winter of 1935-1936, 8 to 9 year-old Floyd and his parents were living in the old William and Harriet Barton house at the corner of Cedar and Watkins Street cattycorner from the Johnson House across a multi-acre field in Bourbon, Missouri.

This Barton house was owned by Zechariah Alonzo "Lon" Barton, Floyd's Great Uncle

and was a two-story dwelling and across the road in front of a vacant field...property, which was owned by Grandpa Millard Johnson.

Being winter, this large multi-acre field was covered in tall dead grass and weeds and the neighborhood boys would often play there.

Many homes were sparsely located around the neighborhood and several homes were on down Blue Springs Road, which were occupied properties. The field was located almost in the center of the sparsely populated town.

Floyd stated as a young boy he was walking in the large field in front of the Barton house and being winter, it was cold. He thought it would be nice to build a little fire so he could warm himself.

With no one around, he gathered some dead grass and sticks and lit a fire with his matches, which he always carried wherever he went.

The fire began to burn his little sticks, leaves and dead grass and began to give off the warmth he desired and he was very pleased with himself for accomplishing something worthwhile. Then an undesirable process began to take place...the wind picked up and began to blow and the fire began to grow and spread and get out of control.

Floyd watched in horror as his little fire began what seemed to have a mind of its own. Flames started to creep along the dead grass and the fire began to burn where Floyd did not want it to burn.

At first, Floyd tried to stomp out the fire but due to the winter, the grass was dry and dead and it began to spread uncontrollably. Floyd panicked.

As he hurried too and fro, trying to contain an uncontainable fire, stomping on the fire only made the matter worse. The flames were two feet, then four feet and finally raging six feet tall.

Apparently someone had been watching Floyd's predicament because the word, "Fire" "Fire" was being shouted across the community as fast as the fire was spreading.

Neighbors from all points of the compass showed up by the dozens with gunnysacks as they frantically attempted to beat the roaring fire to submission. It looked like the whole volunteer fire department and then some was in that field.

Floyd stood back from the volunteers fighting the fire and felt a presence near his side. Looking up over his shoulder stood his father; Columbus Benjamin Alexander Pratt better known as Lum. When he heard the call for help, he came running out of the house to join the volunteers in an attempt to extinguish the roaring uncontainable fire.

Lum looked down at Floyd, knowing he had set the fire and said two simple words... "go home!"

Dread set in as Floyd made that long walk back across the road to home. He knew what his father would do to him and an uncontrollable fear gripped his heart. He knew he was in for the whipping of his life.

Lum Pratt was never known as a gentle, loving, forgiving man, but one who always believed the adage...spare the rod, spoil the child.

Floyd knew his only salvation was to ask his mother; Rue, to intervene on his behalf with his father.

Now, Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt, was a woman in complete contrast to Lum Pratt. The old saying, "opposites attract" had been manifested in this marriage.

Rue was well educated, had worked in her father's mercantile store, was the only person in the county who could sign with deaf people, played the organ in their church and lived Christian principles...by example. She was of such gentile nature that you sought her out in a room full of people for her wisdom, love and comfort.

Her loving nature reassured any who were in need for fellowship and companionship. As a grandson, I too have benefited from my Grandmother Rue's sweet and protective disposition when I too knew that I had earned the wrath of <u>my</u> father. She saved me many a time from a good and well-deserved whipping.

the depression she would feed any and all who came to her door in need of s ustenance. Those who rode the rails had marked her fence with a code that informed other travelers that they could receive food and shelter at her residence.

Floyd was counting on his mother's sweet forgiving disposition for salvation from his father, sometimes it worked and sometimes it didn't. Floyd pleaded with his mother to protect him from his father.

When Lum came back home, after all the neighbors had extinguished the fire, punishment and justice was on his mind. But, before he could confront little 8 or 9-year-old Floyd...Rue intervened and talked him out of punishing Floyd...to Floyd's relief and surprise.

This tender act of mercy always endeared Floyd to his mother and taught him respect and gratitude for his father.

I am sure this incident traumatized this 9-year-old boy, which I feel had a profound influence on his adult life.

You see, when Floyd reached adulthood, he was offered a position as branch manager for the General Detroit Corporation selling fire protection equipment including fire extinguishers in the St. Louis Metropolitan area.

After a tragic fire that resulted in much loss of life, the City of St. Louis passed a law requiring all buildings to carry fire-fighting equipment including businesses, tenant and boarding houses.

Sales skyrocket to the point that other competitive fire fighting companies could not keep up with the demand. Even Floyd's own company had to turn their production on a 24-hour 7-day schedule to keep up with demand.

Floyd was able to supply fire-fighting equipment to not only his customers, but became a leading distributor for competing companies such as Kidde Fire Equipment Companies.

He was so successful in his sales efforts the company promoted him to branch manager of the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania office branch responsible for sales and product distribution over 5 states. In his tenure as branch manager, Floyd was responsible for saving thousands of lives through the distribution of fire-fighting equipment to distributors.

Was Floyd's experience with the field fire responsible for his dedication and diligence to work harder selling fire equipment? Unknown. But one may derive several lessons from that incident that may have influenced him...one could say, don't play with matches. On the surface this is sound advice but not the true lesson learned here by Floyd on that winter day in 1935-1936.

The true lesson he learned, I believe, was...living Christian principles benefits all those who are in need of mercy and forgiveness. We all make mistakes, but mercy coupled with forgiveness is something we can all give unbridled.

P.S. Floyd says he never carried matches again after that incident.

Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 24 January 2011

Floyd married Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN), daughter of Peter Conley Brown and Olga Elmiria (O'DANIEL), on 1 March 1947 in Saint Clair, Central Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States. Marriage status: 1st divorce for both on 14 December 1948. Delores was born on 31 October 1925 in City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, died on 1 March 1981 in Queen of Angels Hospital, 2301 Bellevue, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States at age 55, and was buried on 6 March 1981 in Woodlawn Cemetery, 1847 14th Street, Santa Monica, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States.



Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2013

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1925 Birthblock for Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN) daughter of Peter Conley & Olga Elmiria

(O'DANIEL) Brown

Delores Virginia (**BROWN**) was born at City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 31 October 1925.

Date from the birth certificate states she was born 31 October 1925 at City Hospital #1, ST. Louis, Missouri.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born

Date from the 1940 census states she was born

Date from the death ceritficate states she was born 31 October 1925 in Missouri.

Date from a newspaper death notice states she was born

Date from the funeral home records states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born

Date from the obituary states she was born

1824-1825 Family Move

From Finley, Dyer, Tennessee, United States to Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States from her marriage date of 16 March 1924 to Delores' birth date of 31 October 1925. Several of Olga's family members also made the move to Saint Louis, Missouri around this time. Peter Conley Brown worked for the Kroger Grocery Company.

1925 Birth Certificate for Delores Virginia (BROWN)

State of Missouri, Certificate of Birth, State File #58485:

Delores Virginia Brown was born October 31, 1925 at City Hospital #1, ST. Louis, Missouri at 10:30am to Peter Conley Brown white male age 32 born in Tennessee and Olga Elmyria O'Daniel white female age 18 born in Tennessee both living at 1848 Menard Ave., Saint Louis, Missouri. Peter's occupation is a clerk and Olga's is listed as a housewife.

1927 Childbirth of sister; Dorothy "Dot" Louise (BROWN)

Dorothy "Dot" Louise (**BROWN**) was born at City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 20 June 1927.

<u>1929 Mother's Separation of Peter Conely Brown and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) Brown</u> Peter Conely Brown and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) Brown had marital problems and seperated around this time. This seperation eventually led to a divorce.

1930 Federal Census age 5

1805 Binton Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, page 60a & 60b, 3 April 1930, line 43, house 1805, dwelling 25, family 37

LYNCH, Olive L. head w f 63; HOLMES, Carl son w m 26; LANGE, Francis dau w f 36; ENDRESS, William lodger w m 26; ROMAINE, Arthur E. lodger w m 34; BREEDEN, John lodger w m 56; NEWELL, William B. lodger w m 37; LINDSEY, William lodger w m 57; BROWN, Olga lodger w f 23; OSTRICH, Henry lodger w m 44; HOLT, Gordon lodger w m 30; MANEY, Lloyd lodger w m 32

[This appears to have been a boarding house. Olga was born in Tennessee as was her parents. She states she is widowed. Probably to extract sympathy for a bad marriage. She is a machine operator for a tin can factory. She had told me that she had put Dorothy and Delores with baby sitters and when the census taker came around, I figured that's why she did not list her daughters with her.]

Research Note

I can not locate Delores in the 1930 census. Olga told me she had place her daughters with people so she could work. Dorothy is with people in Saint Ferdinand Twp, Jennings, Saint Louis (couny), Missouri, United States where Olga met Clyde White and eventually married him and they are all together as a family in the 1940 census. I imagine that Delores was also staying with someone in that area in the 1930 census.

1929-1931 Mother's Divorce of Peter Conely Brown and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) Brown Peter Conely Brown and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) Brown were divorced 1929-1931 probably in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States

1931-1940 Mother's Marriage of Clyde R. White and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) Brown Clyde R. White and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) Brown were married ?? Married for 5 yrs. No children.

1935 Residency at 5811Janet Avenue, Saint Ferdinand Twp, Jennings, Saint Louis (couny), Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age

5811Janet Avenue, Saint Ferdinand Twp, Jennings, Saint Louis (couny), Missouri, United States, page 3773b, 2 April 1940, line 61, house 5811, dwelling 43 **WHITE**, Clyde head w m 35; Ogla wife w f 33; Dolores dau w f 14; Dorothy dau w f 12 [All born in Missouri except Olga born in Tennessee. Clyde works as a laborer for the Riverview Gardens Sewer Project. They are renting.]

Research Note

Since Olga listed the daughters with the surname as White instead of Brown, indicates she was trying to make a family atmosphere for her daughters.

1940-1843 Mother's Divorce of Clyde R. White and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) Brown White

1943 Family Move

From Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States to Los Angeles, California, United States

Research Note

It appears that although Olga left for California around 1943, her daughters stayed in Saint Louis. This is evident since Delores married Floyd Pratt in 1947 in Saint Clair, Franklin County, Missouri.

Mother's Marriage of and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) Brown White

Olge in her letters eluded to a third marriage but would not identify the man by name. Read her letters for further evidence.

Mother's Divorce of and Olga Elviria (O'DANIEL) ??

1947 Whirlwind Courtship

Floyd shortly after his discharge from the Army in 1946, at the reckless age of 19, like most returned war heros, was looking for fun and companionship. Instead of satisfying this need for companionship by seeking suitable partners in church...as his mother had taught him, he went were the "action" was...to the bars. Any and all church instructions were lost on him during the war

and his interest could not be found in churches. Delores being a fun loving girl of 22 with no serious goals or commitments, and possessing a vivacious personality, also found solitude in the bar scene where she could exersice her singing talent and entertain the patrons. Floyd's education was mostly experience he had gained while in the service. Not an avid book reader nor one to seek higher education, but young and wanting fun and excitement. On one enchanting evening, at a local bar in St. Louis, they met. The attraction between these two was magnetic. Floyd a slender. handsome decorated soldier and Delores a beautiful, fun loving, high spirited beauty who both held steady jobs and with this combination of ingredients, an interest, courthsip and eventually marriage was the natural progression of this realtionship. However, after the marriage in March 1947, the hard shocking reality of life set in with the birth of Floyd Thomas Pratt affectionately nicknamed "Tommy". The responsibilities of raising a demanding, expensive, time consumming, unappreciative infant became their reality. Delores would stay home all day taking care of the house, and especailly Tommy and she had been poorly trainned for this type of work. Her mother had set a poor example but instilled in her daughters a free spirited, fun loving persona and was not inclined to teach them how to be a real mothers and handle the responsibilities of a household (after meeting Olga, it immediately became obvious that she was one of the first "hippies"). Delores emmulated this behavior and really could not understand how to handle these "new" responsibilites thrust upon her. Dad said, when he would go to work in the morning, Delores would take care of me all day and when he came home at night, Delores would turn me over to him and she would go out "partying". This went on into the summer of 1948 when they mutually agreed their relationship was not a good partnership. They seperated and filed for a divorce. During that seperations time, dad left me with his mother; Rue in Bourbon and switched back and forth with his sister; Edith and her husband Chester Skaggs. While they took care of me, dad would continue working at his job in St. Louis. During the month of September, while attending the Highlands Amusement Park on Overland Avenue in St. Louis, (the St. Louis Community College now occupies that acreage} he attended a dance. Dances where very popular at these events and he noticed a tall attractive young girl had caught his eye and wanted to meet her. As he approached her and inquired about her name he was met with a cold shoulder and realized this girl had substance and was indeed interesting. He noticed that this girl had a blonde girlfriend and waited until he could get this girlfriend alone and asked her what the name of her friend was and she replied...Dorothy Bednarek and gave him Dorothy's phone number. Dorothy when she found out what her friend Vivian "Vi" had done was furious but amused. Floyd finally got permission to dance with Dorothy and when they danced she stood 5'11" and he at his 6' frame noticed how tall she was. He said, "Kind of tall aren't you?" Dorothy replied, "Yeah so what?" With the beginning of light minded banter, a romance began to blossomed. Dad and Delores' divorce as final on 14 December 1948 and on the 18th of February 1949, Floyd and Dorothy (BEDNAREK) were married. During a divorce where children are involved, it was customay for the court to always award the children to the mother. Unless, there was just cause that proved the mother unfit to raise a child. In this case the court followed protocol and I was awarded to Delores, however, Delores understanding her lifestyle and how an infant child of less than a year would "hamper" her "partying" time desided that she would not be able to take care of me as I should be raised and in a surprised, unselfish move, gave custody of me to my father, citing that I would be better off under his guidance than hers. You would imagine that guilt for this action would haunt her for the rest of her life, but not so, when Delores reamarried she had a daughter and left her with her father. This is a prime example of when parents fail as good examples in the home, how these failures snowball into future generations. Maybe Olga did not have a good example in her mother and father and therefore did not know how to raise a family. In any case, both of her daughters had difficult and hardship lives and never did find happiness with a stable realtionship. There is a saying in our church by President David O. McKay, "No amount of success can compensate for

failure in the home." How true, how true. Delores was right, I have been better off with my dad.

1947 Marriage of Floyd Theodore Pratt and Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN)

[1] Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States Marriage Record Book 167, Page 415. Floyd T. Pratt and Delores Brown were married on 1 March 1947 in Saint Clair, Franklin, Missouri, United States.

1948 Childbirth of son; Floyd Thomas Pratt

Floyd Thomas Pratt was born 3 January 1948 at City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

1948 Divorced of Floyd Theodore Pratt and Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN) Pratt

[1] Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, Circuit Court of St. Louis File #21726-D. Floyd Pratt and Delores Pratt were divorced on 14 December 1948 in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

1948-1949 Marriage to Arthur William Ehlers and Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN) Pratt Arthur Ehlers and Delores Pratt were married 1948-1949

1950 Childbirth of daughter; Karen Elaine (EHLERS)

Karen Elaine (EHLERS) was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 16 July 1950.

1950-1955?? Divorce of Arthur William Ehlers and Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN) Pratt Ehlers

1950-1855 Family Move

From Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States to New Orleans, Orleans, Lousianna, United States

?? Had a relationship with Nicholas "Nicky" Gagilardi

There is rumored twins may have been a result of this relationship.

1955 Family Move

After the death of her sister; Dorothy in 1955, Delores moved to Los Angeles to live with her mother.

1983 Death of Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN) Pratt Ehlers

Delores "Doe" Virginia (**BROWN**) Pratt Ehlers died in Queen of Angels Hospital, 2301 Bellevue, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States on 1 March 1981.

- [1] Mother's knowledge: Date of 1 Mar 1981 from Olga and place Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co., CA.
- [2] Ancestry.com. California Death Index, 1940-1997 [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2000. Original data: State of California. California Death Index, 1940-1997. Sacramento, CA, USA: State of California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics.

Dolores Virginia Ehlers (Dolores Virginia Brown) SS#497-20-8992, female, birth 31 Oct 1925 birthplace: Missouri, Death Date: 1 Mar 1981 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States.Mother's maiden name: O'Daniel father's surname: Brown (ancestry.com)

[3] State of California, Office of the State Registar of Vital Stastics, Certificate of Death, State

File #81-028904, Local Registration District and Certificate number #0190-011526
Delores Virginia Ehlers white divorced female born 31 October 1925 in Missouri to Peter C. Brown born in Tennessee and Olga E. O'Danirl born in Tennessee. Delores was a waitress in a restaurant. Her usual residence was 504 South Bonnie Brae Avenue, Los Angeles, California. She died on 1 March 1981 at Queen of Angels Hospital, 2301 Bellevue Avenue, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California. She was buried on 6 March 1981 at Woodlawn Cemetery, Santa Monica, California. The informant was Olga E. O'Daniel, mother, 585 Grand Blvd., Venice, California 90291.

[4] Social Security Death Index (SSDI)

Ancestry.com. Social Security Death Index [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2007. Original data: Social Security Administration. Social Security Death Index, Master File. Social Security Administration.

Name:Delores Ehlers SSN:497-20-8992 Last Residence:90057 Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States of America Born:31 Oct 1925 Last Benefit:90291 Venice, Los Angeles, California, United States of America Died:Mar 1981 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

1983 Burial of Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN) Pratt Ehlers

Woodlawn Cemetery, 1847 14th Street, Santa Monica, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States 90404

Eihlers, Delores V.

Hyche, Olga E. 1907-1993

Reseach Note

Buried in same plot. Several years ago the owners of Woodlawn Cemetery were indicted for digging up burials and reselling the plots for other people. The state of California fined them \$100,000 and they were required to replace the headstones in the cemetery. Our family made a trip to California in 1980's and Olga took me to see where my birth mother had been buried at Woodlawn Cemetery. I remember her plot being in the old section by the trees at the nearest corner of Pico Boulevard and 14th Street. Upon this visit on 29 November 2008 I found that their headstone had been moved from where I had remembered. They are now located at Section 17, Lot 311, Grave F which is out in the middle of a new plot of land designated for burials near Michigan Avenue and 14th Street. So, I know they were one of the victims of grave tampering.-Floyd Thomas Pratt

Biography of Delores "Doe" Virginia (BROWN) Pratt Ehlers by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2008

Delores "Doe" Virginia (**BROWN**) Pratt Ehlers was born in City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 31 October 1925 to Peter Conley & Olga Elmiria (**O'DANIEL**) Brown. She married Floyd Theodore Pratt on 1 March 1947 at Saint Clair, Franklin, Missouri, United States. After a divorce in 1948 she married Arthur William Ehlers 1949-1950. She divorced him and moved to New Orleans, Orleans, Lousianna, United States. She was a talented singer and songwriter and performed in many of the New Orleans nightclubs. She left New Orleans and moved to be with her mother after her sister's death in 1955. She lived with her mother, Olga Elmira (**O'DANIEL**) Hyche in Venice, California near Venice Beach. She fell on a city bus in 1981 and injured her kidneys. After several unsuccessful operations she died on 1 March 1981 at the Queen of Angels Hospital, 2301 Bellevue, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States. She is buried at the Woodlawn Cemetery, 1847 14th Street, Santa Monica, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States. She had a son, Floyd Thomas Pratt, from her first

marriage and a daughter, Karen Elaine (**EHLERS**) from her second marriage and a sister, Dorothy "Dot" Louise (**BROWN**). Grandmother Olga told me that Delores had a set of twins in New Orleans with a man by the name of Nicholas "Nicky" Gagilardi but Olga would not discuss the details.

Floyd next married **Dorothy "Dot" (BEDNAREK)**, daughter of **Josef Joseph "Joe" Bednarek Sr.** and **Anna (KEIR) Kühr**, on 18 February 1949 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States. Dorothy was born on 4 December 1926 in 1913 North 13th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.



1926 Birthblock for Dorothy (BEDNAREK) daughter of Josef "Joseph" Sr. & Ann (KEIR) Bednarek

Dorothy (**BEDNAREK**) was born at 1913 North 13th Street, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States on 4 December 1926.

Date from the birth certificate states she was born on 4 December 1926 at 1913 North 13th Street, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States.

Date from 1930 census states she was born December 1926 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from a newspaper death notice states she was born

Date from the funeral home records states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born

Date from the obituary states she was born

1926 Birth Certificate for Dorothy (BEDNAREK)

State of Missouri, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Certificate of Birth, File No. 61365.

Dorothy Bednarek was born 4 Dec 1926 at 1913 North 13th Street, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States at 1am to Joseph Bednarek from Poland a Police officer and his wife, Anna V. Keir born in Misssoui a housewife. She was delivered at home by a midwife, Mrs. Carrie Holub.

She went to Holy Rosary Catholic Church in St. Louis across from her grade school.

1930 Federal Census age 4

13th Street, District 312, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States, page 38a, 8 April 1930, dwelling 1913, house 120 family 202

BEDNAREK, Joseph head w m 36; [page 38b, April 9, 1930] Anna wife w f 21; <u>Dorothy dau w f</u> 3-3.12; Margaret dau w f 1-10.12;

[Joseph was born in Poland as was his parents, Anna and the children born in Missouri. Anna's parents were born in Poland. Joseph is renting at \$20 per month, he speaks Polish and can read and write, immigrated to US in 1904, naturalized and can speak English, he is a policeman for the city force and is not a vetern. Anna can speak English. Joseph's first marriage was at age 32, Anna's first marriage was at age 17. Dorothy's birthdate, according to this census calculates out to January 1927, Margaret's birth date calulates out to June 1928.]

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Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 9
December 1939 in McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla,
Phelps, Missouri, United States at age 10, and was buried on 11
December 1939 in Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township,
Crawford County, Missouri, United States. She never married and had no children.

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2014

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1929 Birthblock for Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT) daughter of Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander & Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 5 April 1929.

- [1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, State File #15366. Nadeen Pearl Pratt white female was born 5 April 1929 at Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri at 4:30am to Columbus B. Pratt a white male age 35 a laborer from Bourbon, Mo born in Crawford Co. MO and Rue F. Johnson a white female age 34 a housewife from Bourbon, MO born in Crawford Co., MO. Rue says she has had 5 children born and 5 are living. Nadine born at full term.
- [2] Date from the Missouri State Board of Health, Birth Registration No#15366 states she was born 5 April 1929.
- [3] Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1929 in Missouri.
- [4] Date from the Missouri State Board of Health, Certificate of Death, No#44306 states she was born 5 April 1929.

1930 Federal Census age 1

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177a, 8 April 1930, line 8, house 24, family 24

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 36; Rue F. wife w f 36; Mary E. dau w f 10; Carl D. son w m 8; Roy L. son w m 5; Floyd T. son w m 3; Nadine W. dau w f 1 [All born in Missouri. Columbus parents born in Missouri, Rue says her father born in Illinois and mother born in South Carolina. Lum and Rue says they were aged 25 when they first got married. Columbus says he is a veteran of WWI. No occupation listed for Lum.]

1931 Childbirth of brother; James Henry Pratt

James Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1931.

1937 Father's Social Security Card

[1] Columbus B. Pratt obtained a social security card date of issue June 30, 1937.

Nadine Wilma

Pearl (PRATT)

[2] [Not in the SSDI]

1938 Death of grandmother; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY)

Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1939 Father bought Life Insurance

Columbus B. Pratt bought a life insurance policy on Roy Lee Pratt, Floyd T. Pratt, James H. Pratt on 14 August 1939 from the Central Mutual Insurance Co.

1939 Death of Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Nadine Wilma Pearl (**PRATT**) died on 9 December 1939 at McFarland Hospital, Hiway 63 & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Death Certificate, File # 44306.

Nadine Wilma Pratt, a school girl born April 5, 1929 in Bourbon, MO age 10 years, 8 months, 4 days daughter of Columbus Benjamin Pratt born Bourbon, MO and Rue Johnson born Bourbon, MO, died on 9 December 1939 from Influenza and meningitus at 10:25am at McFarland Hospital, 63rd & Pine Street, Rolla, Phelps, Co., MO. C.B. Pratt of Bourbon, MO was informant. Burial was on 11 December 1939 at the Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1939 Burial of Nadine Wilma Pearl (PRATT)

Bourbon Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

2007 Email Inquiry

From: Floyd Pratt [floydpratt59@gmail.com] To: mahud@fidnet.com

Sent: Wednesday, December 26, 2007 10:12 PM

Subject: Rolla Hospital

Dear Mary, My aunt died on 9 December 1939 at the ?Farland Hospital in Rolla, Phelps, Missouri. I can't seem to find any information about the hospital. Could you please tell me the actual name of the hospital so I get it right in my records? Thank You, I have enclosed a copy of the death certificate. Floyd Pratt

From mahud@fidnet.com to: Floyd Pratt [floydpratt59@gmail.com]

Floyd I ask the president of the Phelps county genealogy society your question. Here is her reply. If you need more here is her address Sheila Wood swood@rollanet.org

Mary

OH YES!!!!!!!!! It started out as McFarland Hospital and then to a nursing home. You never wanted to go there. That was the worst place, but some people had no other place to go when they got old or sick. I will try and tell you where it was: On Hwy 63 & Pine street (the corner) there a rock house there now,(on the south side) next to the campus book store. Behind the rock house was the hospital, where Vessel fitness center is now. I don't know if there was a street name at that time, and I don't know if there is street name now. I know that Gene McFarland is off this family and he might know more then I. My husband was in the hospital in 1945, when his great uncle was dying Bill's mother was always taking care of someone and this was Bill's dad side. She should been a doctor. You haven't been sending me any more querries. I know we have really slowed down for the holidays and it happens every year. Then spring hits. We now have a new

mico reader printer, we went ahead and got it, left us with very little money to work with, but we needed that machine. Sheila [end]

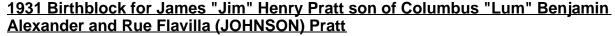
Research Note

This is the same nursing home that Grandmother Rue stayed in when she was housed in Rolla. I asked Dad and he said yes, his mother used to tell them that she was unconfortable being in the same hospital/nursing home that Nadine had died in. Floyd Thomas Pratt

vi. James "Jim" Henry Pratt was born on 6 January 1931 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 11 May 1999 in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States at age 68, and was buried in May 1999 in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

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James "Jim" Henry Pratt was born in Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 6 January 1931.

Date from the 1940 census states he was born 1831 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born 6 January 1931.

Date from the SSDI states he was born 6 January 1931.

Date from the obituary states he was born

[See PPPVolume 4 François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé Missey and Descendants"]

1931 Birth Certificate

Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Birth Certificate, State File # 768.

Columbus B. Pratt was 37 years old and a laborer. Rue F. Johnson was 36 years old and keeping house.

[Born as a birthday present for his brother; Floyd Theodore "Ted" Pratt, Uncle Jim and Dad both celebrated their birthdays on the same day. FTP]

1935 Residency at the William and Harriett (KING) Barton house

At the corner of Cedar and Watkins Street in Bourbon was the house that Rue's grandparents' William and Harriet (**KING**) Barton built. William and Harriet lived near

Vilander and moved after the 1880 census and before 1884 when daughter; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (**BARTON**) married to Judge James Millard Johnson. They lived in this house until their deaths in 1920-1922. son, Alonzo Zachariah "Lon" Barton rented this home to the Pratts.

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1938 Death of grandmother; Laura Mary Magdalene (MISSEY)

Laura Mary Magdalene (**MISSEY**) died 17 April 1938 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. [I have pictures of her lying in-state.]

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1939-1942 Father's Occupation

Between 1939-1942 Columbus B. Pratt was an entrepreneur as a stone mason around the Crawford, Franklin, Washington County area. He kept good records of accounts from various work jobs and wages earned. I have included some of these records in the following pages.

1940 Federal Census age 9

Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 4b, 15 April 1940, line 49, house 79

PRATT, Columbus B. head w m 46; Rue wife w f 46; Roy son w m 15; Floyd son w m 13; <u>James son w m 9</u>; **JOHNSON**, James M. father-in-law w m 85, Lee E. Sr. brother-in-law w m 52; Lee E. Jr. son of brother-in-law w m 2; (house 80) **SKAGGS**, Chester head w m 25, Mary Edith wife w f 20

[All born in Missouri except Lee Jr. born in Wyoming. They were all living in the Barton House as of 1 April 1935 except Chester was living in Potosi, Missouri working as a Tiff miner. This was before the married Mary Edith (**PRATT**) in 1938. Columbus worked as a laborer doing road improvements, Lee Sr., worked as an assistant cashier in a bank, Chester worked as truck driver for a feed store. This was for Hartung Feed in Bourbon, Dad says Uncle Chester taught him how to drive in that old feed truck. Chester would slide over by the door and Dad would get behind the wheel and that's how he learned to drive. Chester and Edith lived upstairs in the house and had seperate cooking facilities.]

Reserch Note

James Millard Johnson Sr. owned the home at Walnut and Blue Springs Road. Even though Columbus is shown in the 1940 census as head of the house, it was actually owned by his father-in-law; James Millard Johnson Sr. As explained above, Chester and Edith lived upstairs and had seperate cooking facilities and would cook great meals that

other members of the house would smell and envy.

1941 Death of grandfather; James Millard Johnson Sr.

James Millard Johnson Sr. died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 May 1941.

1942 Father's Selective Service Registration Card

27 April 1942 Columbus B. Pratt was issued a duplicate selective service registration card in Bourbon, Missouri.

1942 Father's Employment

11 May 1942 Columbus Pratt earned \$21.60 from the Allied Contracting Company and received a pay stub.

1944 Father's Tax Form W-2

Lum Pratt received a W-2 form from Gus Hartung dba Hartung Transportation Company in Bourbon, Missouri, for \$35.00.

1946 Father's Registered Truck

11 May 1946 C.B. Pratt registered a 1938 Ford Truck Stake body in Bourbon, MO.

1946 Father's Driver's License

18 July 1946, C.B. Pratt renewed his driver's license for 25 cents in Bourbon, MO.

1947 Father's Hunting Permit

5 May 1947, C.B. Pratt was issued a Hunting, Traping, and Fishing permit for \$2.15 by the State of Missouri. He was living in Bourbon, MO., 53 years of age, Brown hair, Blue eyes, 5' 10" tall, weight 190 lbs.

1947 Death of father; Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt

Columbus "Lum" Benjamin Alexander Pratt died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 27 July 1947.

1950 Marriage James Henry Pratt and Evellin Juanita (MILLER)

[1] Clay County, Arkansas Marriage Record Book "54", page 457

James Pratt and Juanita Miller were married at Piggott, Clay, Arkansas, United States on 26 August 1950.

[2] Arkansas, County Marriages Index, 1837-1957

Name: James Pratt Gender: Male Residence: St Louis, Missouri Spouse's Name: Juanita Miller Spouse's Gender: Female Spouse's Residence: Saint Louis, Missouri Marriage Date: 26 Aug 1950 Event Type: Marriage Bond FHL Film Number: 2169966

1951 Childbirth of son; Randall James Pratt

Randall James Pratt was born in 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 5 August 1951.

1953 Childbirth of daughter; Sheryl Rue (PRATT)

Sheryl Rue (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 4 June 1953.

1954 Childbirth of son; Glenn Alan Pratt

Glenn Alan Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 7 June 1954.

1958 Childbirth of son; Barry Lee Pratt

Barry Lee Pratt was born in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 2 February 1958.

?? Divorce of James "Jim" Henry Pratt & Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt

Uncle Jim divorced Aunt Juanita sometime after the kids were all grown.

1972 Death of father-in-law; Harry Edward Miller

Harry Edward Miller died in Fresno, Fresno, California, United States on 29 November 1972.

1979 Marriage of James "Jim" Henry Pratt & Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (WAYBRIGHT) Foster

James "Jim" Henry Pratt & Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (**WAYBRIGHT**) Foster were married in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States in 1979.

1983 Death of mother; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt died at Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 June 1983.

1987 Divorce of James "Jim" Henry Pratt & Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (WAYBRIGHT) Foster Pratt

James "Jim" Henry Pratt & Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (**WAYNRIGHT**) Foster Pratt were divorced in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States in January 1987.

Research Note

After the divorce of Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (**WAYBRIGHT**) Foster Pratt, Uncle Jim dated and lived with a woman named Roberta (_____). She was killed while brush hoggin on Uncle Jim's farm in Licking, Missouri.

<u>1989 Death of mother-in-law; Lillian "Lily" Grace (FENTON) Miller Hicks</u>
Lillian "Lily" Grace (FENTON) Miller Hicks died in Jackson, Jackson, Ohio, United States on 29 April 1989.

1991 Re-marriage of James Henry Pratt and Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt

James Henry Pratt and Evellin Juanita (**MILLER**) Pratt were married a second time on 25 August 1991 at Nebo, Gasconade Twp, Laclede, Missouri, United States.

[1] Missouri Marriage Records, 1805-2002

Name:Miller Evellin Juanita Pratt Age:59 Race/Ethnicity:White Birth Date:2 Sep 1931 Marriage Date:25 Aug 1991 Marriage Location:Nebo, Laclede, MO Marriage County:Laclede Spouse Name:James Henry Pratt Spouse Birth Date:6 Jan 1931 Spouse Race/Ethnicity:White

1996 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name: James H Pratt Birth Date: 6 Jan 1931 Phone Number: 674-3627 Address: 202 Sidney St Trlr 10, Saint James, MO, 65559-1075 (1996) [Ozark Moving & Storage, Waynesville, MO, 65583] [PO Box 491, Waynesville, MO, 65583-0491 (1994)] [RR 15 POB A1, Falcon, MO, 65470] [74 Hc 74, Licking, MO, 65542] [PO Box 84, Licking, MO, 65542-0084 (1993)]

1999 Death of James "Jim" Henry Pratt

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Research Note

James Henry Pratt after a failed choroidal artery operation was hopitalized then sent to a nursing home where he died from complications on 11 May 1999.

1999 Burial of James "Jim" Henry Pratt

Harrison Cemtery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. Pratt, James H. Jan. 6, 1931-May 11, 1999 Pratt, Juanita Sept. 2, 1931-Oct. 18, 2003

Social Security Death Index

Name:James H. Pratt SSN:492-32-5630 Last Residence:65583 Waynesville, Pulaski, Missouri, United States of America Born:6 Jan 1931 Died:11 May 1999 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name: James Henry Pratt Service Info.: YN1 US NAVY KOREA Birth Date: 6 Jan 1931 Death Date: 11 May 1999 Cemetery: Harrison Cemetery Cemetery Address: Burbon Waynesville, MO 65583

In Memoriam of James Henry Pratt

I remember when I was a small child visiting my Grandmother Rue at Bourbon, Missouri often...at least a couple of times a month. We lived in St. Louis and drove the 60 miles on Route 66 which was changed to Interstate 44. When we would visit her I also got to visit my Uncle Jim and Aunt Juanita.

They lived on a gravel outer road facing I-44 outside of Bourbon. They lived in a large 2 story home and what I remember most was my cousins, Randy, Sheryl, Glenn and Barry would take us boys down in back of their home in the woods. This was fun. I can't remember what we did down there but it was interesting to us "city" boys.

I remember when we went to Uncle Roy's house somewhere outside of Steelville, they would show us boys how to "gig" frogs and hunt squirels in the back woods of their home.

Uncle Jim drove a truck for Von Der Ahe Van Lines just like Uncle Roy did but after a short time, Uncle Jim bought a Furniture Storage warehouse in Robertsville outside Fort Leonard Wood. I remember visiting him when we made trips out that direction.

Uncle Jim was a smart and interesting man. He had been in the Navy and even wrote a

novel, a book I think about a western...and was published in California.

After Grandmother died in 1983, we attended her funeral in Bourbon and after the funeral we went to a restaurant in Sullivan. Several of the Pratt family with their children all crowded into the small restaurant and we sat at talbes that were pushed together.

Myself and my youngest daughter Crystal who was about 5 years old sat across from Uncle Jim. I turned to Crystal and I said..."This is your Great Uncle Jim" and pointed to Uncle Jim. He looked at her and smiled and she looked at him and after a long thoughful pause said. "What makes you so great?" This took us all by surprise and Uncle Jim was at lost for words, he shrugged his shouldres and said, "Because I am." We all had a good laugh about that one.

When Uncle Jim was in poor health, due to surgery complications and we would visit him in Waynesville at the nursing home or hospital he was residing. He would fade in and out of mental clarity and recognized me and I felt so sad to see such a great and powerful man losing his grip on life. Shortly after our last visit he passed on.

But, he will always be remembered as my Uncle Jim and in my eyes he was Great.

Floyd Thomas Pratt 1 February 2011

Email from Barry Pratt on 25 September 2011 barry.pratt@anpac.com

Thanks Tom, I'm enjoying reading about the family. I have a few corrections for you and will try to send them next time I get time on my PC. For instance, Liz is the lady dad married after mom, and she is still living in St. Robert (not Robertsville). My siblings run into her now and then. Her first husband was a bomb defuser and was killed while defusing a bomb in illinois I believe. The lady killed in the farm accident was named Roberta, and owned the neighboring farm. They both helped each other work their respective farms. They were brush hogging dad's farm when she fell under the brush hog she was pulling. If I can help provide info, let me know.

Email to various recipients 19 November 2011

Hello again...when you access that website at www.familysearch.org where you actually want to go to is the Historical Records section that is where you can blanket search their various records. <a href="https://www.familysearch.org/search/records#count=20&query=%2Bgivenname%3A%22Emit%20Roy%22~%20%2Bsurname%3ADavison~%20%2Bdeath_place%3A%22Emit%20Roy%22~%20%2Bsurname%3ADavison~%20%2Bdeath_place%3A%22Tennessee%2C%20United%20States%22~%20%2Bdeath_year%3A1945-1947 https://www.familysearch.org/search/records

This is an example, click on Refine your Search and you will see how easy it is to research any State's records.

The Pilot Program that some of you have mentioned has been converted to this Family Search site and they are adding new data daily.

The Church is planning on opening up NEW Family Search to non-members soon which will give you access to the billions of records that we have been sending into the Church for 150 years!

Up until now only members could access those records. The difference is that non-

members will not be able to see the Temple ordinance information but you will be able to see all the other data on an individual.

The information in the temple records had to be verified and researched and usually is more accurate that can be found elsewhere.

For those of you who are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, I want to share with you the genealogy program I have been using for the last 4 years. Legacy is free at http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/ and you can buy the Deluxe version for a one time fee of \$30.

What makes this program superior in my opinion is the ease in which you can transfer records from Legacy to the Temple and vice versa with just a click of the button.

You can also send your ancestors to the Temple with just a click of the button. I have over 850 lines waiting for their ordnances and because the Temple is doing the proxies, they will one day be completed.

I send around 10-20 people everyday to the temple using this program and have held classes to teach other members how to use the new features.

If you are a member and want to do yourself a favor, then download Legacy and import your current database as a gedcom file into legacy.

You can ask me questions on how to make the program work or if you get confused, Legacy has training videos at their website you can watch for free.

I paid \$60 for the Deluxe version including videos on discs and books back in 2007 and have not had to pay anything else even with 4 annual updates.

It truly is easy to use and work with and can produce books of your family history as a .pdf file so you can email to others.

Even if you are not a member of the church you will find it's record keeping progressive and easy to use.

Thanks for your kind words and comments, this really is fun and too bad I don't have my youth back so I could make more road trips and find new data about my ancestors. But, that pleasure will belong to the next generation. Floyd

PS: When my Uncle Jim died back in 1999 his wife, my Aunt Juanita used to call him her honey. I did Uncle Jim's Temple work for him in July 2003 in the Orlando Temple. When Aunt Juanita became ill and was sick and close to crossing the veil in 2003, as she lay in her hospital bed, with family and friends, she turned towards the doorway of her hospital room and pointed and said, "There's my honey" and died shortly after. Apparently Uncle Jim who had his Temple work done in July of 2003 accepted the work and was allowed to escort his wife across the veil when she died in October 2003. Neither one of them were very religious or attended church but the witnesses stated this was a true event. My Aunt Edith has been deaf for the last 10 years and we had to write letters to her in order for her to communicate back to us. On the day she died, her hearing cleared up and she could talk and communicate as if she had never been deaf, then she passed over. (5 September 2011) This astonished everyone at her nursing home including family and friends.

Don't take the Gospel too lightly, it is true and don't be like the rest of the world and wait for someone else to do your temple work, but investigate the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints now and find out for yourself what millions around the world already know and enjoy the blessings of doing your own Temple ordnances.

Your brother in Christ, Floyd Thomas Pratt

Posted by PL Greenlee on FAG without my permission

1931 Birthblock for James "Jim" Henry Pratt son of Columbus Pratt & Rue Johnson Pratt.

26 August 1950 Marriage James Henry Pratt and Evellin Juanita (MILLER)[1] Piggott, Clay County, Arkansas Marriage Record Book "54", page 457

Data on Living Individuals Removed

?? Divorce of James "Jim" Henry Pratt & Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt Uncle Jim and Aunt Juanita remarried later.

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Floyd Thomas Pratt 1 February 2011 (bio by: Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.C., M.A.G.I.)

EMAIL to FAG 3 October 2012

Dear Sirs, Several months ago I requested that my contribution to James Henry Pratt Find A Grave Memorial# 63327236 be removed from the memorial. I emailed Mr. Greenlee and he has ignored my request. All the written data from the heading down from " 1931 Birthblock for James "Jim" Henry Pratt son of Columbus Pratt & Rue Johnson Pratt." was submitted to Mr. Greenlee to be added to the gravesite and he has edited my material changing the wording, deleting information and effectively changing the character of my article. More than half of what I had submitted has been deleted and altered.

Since he has ignored my request to transfer Uncle Jim to me, then I request you remove all my material on Uncle Jims bio information. I never gave Mr. Greenlee permission to change, alter or delete my material and I feel it is an injustice to Uncle Jim's memorial to have partial and incomplete information.

Thank you. Respectfully, Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. PS: keep up the good work.

Messages left for pl greenlee (72) Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.C., M.A.G.I. James "Jim" Henry Pratt Mr. Greenlee, I wrote to you several months ago on several

occasions asking you to transfer James "Jim" Henry Pratt Find A Grave Memorial# 63327236. You failed to transfer, so I sent you a Cradle to Grave profile concerning his life. What you posted was an unauthorize abstract of the Profile and without my persmission you deleted, alterd and injectted your comments into my profile. I never gave you permission to make any alterations and have posted a complaint to Find A Grave concerning your actions. In all my years of associaton with Find A Grave, no one has ever altered anything I have posted. Uncle Jim would not be pleased with you picking and choosing what you want to post on his memorial. I am and have been in touch with his children and it is our request that you remove my contributions to his memorial everthing in the bio section. Henceforth, transfer all memorials when requested because I don't think you are related to the 3000 memorials you have posted under your name. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

James married Evellin Juanita (MILLER), daughter of Harry Edward Miller and Lillian "Lily" Grace (FENTON), on 26 August 1950 in Piggott, Clay, Arkansas, United States. Evellin was born on 2 September 1931 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 18 October 2003 in Rolla, Meramec Township, Phelps County, Missouri, United States at age 72, and was buried on 22 October 2003 in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.



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Research Note

Aunt Juanita married my Uncle Jim.

?? Divorce of parents; Harry Edward Miller and Lillian Grace (FENTON) Miller

1950 Marriage of James Henry Pratt and Evellin Juanita (MILLER)

[1] Clay County, Arkansas Marriage Record Book "54", page 457 James Pratt and Juanita Miller were married on 26 August 1950 at Piggott, Clay, Arkansas, United

States.

1951 Childbirth of son; Randall James Pratt

Randall James Pratt was born in 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 5 August 1951.

1953 Childbirth of daughter; Sheryl Rue (PRATT)

Sheryl Rue (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 4 June 1953.

1954 Childbirth of son; Glenn Alan Pratt

Glenn Alan Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 7 June 1954.

1958 Childbirth of son; Barry Lee Pratt

Barry Lee Pratt was born in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 2 February 1958.

?? Divorce of James "Jim" Henry Pratt & Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt

Uncle Jim divorced Aunt Juanita sometime after the kids were all grown.

?? Marriage of James "Jim" Henry Pratt & Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt

Uncle Jim and Aunt Juanita remarried later.

Research Note

I think Uncle Jim may have been married again. He lived outside Licking, Texas, Missouri, United States and was living with a woman named Liz (unknown last name). She was killed in a tractor accident on his farm outside Licking.

1972 Death of father; Harry Edward Miller

Harry Edward Miller died in Fresno, Fresno, California, United States on 29 November 1972.

1983 Death of mother-in-law; Rue Flavilla (JOHNSON) Pratt

Rue Flavilla (**JOHNSON**) Pratt died at Briarwood Manor Nursing Home, 410 North Franklin Street, Cuba, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 June 1983.

1989 Death of mother; Lillian "Lily" Grace (FENTON) Miller Hicks

Lillian "Lily" Grace (**FENTON**) Miller Hicks died in Jackson, Jackson, Ohio, United States on 29 April 1989.

1991 Marriage of James Henry Pratt and Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt

James Henry Pratt and Evellin Juanita (**MILLER**) Pratt were married a second time on 25 August 1991 at Nebo, Gasconade Twp, Laclede, Missouri, United States.

[1] Missouri Marriage Records, 1805-2002

Name:Miller Evellin Juanita Pratt Age:59 Race/Ethnicity:White Birth Date:2 Sep 1931 Marriage Date:25 Aug 1991 Marriage Location:Nebo, Laclede, MO Marriage County:Laclede Spouse Name:James Henry Pratt Spouse Birth Date:6 Jan 1931 Spouse Race/Ethnicity:White

1999 Death of spouse; James "Jim" Henry Pratt

James "Jim" Henry Pratt died at Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States on 11 May 1999.

2003 Death of Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt

Evellin Juanita (**MILLER**) Pratt died in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 18 October 2003.

2003 Burial of Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt

Harrison Cemtery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. Pratt, James H. Jan. 6, 1931-May 11, 1999
Pratt, Juanita Sept. 2, 1931-Oct. 18, 2003

Social Security Death Index

Name:E. Juanita Pratt SSN:492-32-7977 Last Residence:65583 Waynesville, Pulaski, Missouri, United States of America Born:2 Sep 1931 Died:18 Oct 2003 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

In Memoriam of Evellin Juanita (MILLER) Pratt

I remember when I was a small child visiting my Grandmother Rue at Bourbon, Missouri often...at least a couple of times a month. We lived in St. Louis and drove the 60 miles on Route 66 which was changed to Interstate 44. When we would visit her I also got to visit my Uncle Jim and Aunt Juanita.

They lived on a gravel outer road facing I-44 outside of Bourbon. They lived in a large 2 story home and what I remember most was my cousins, Randy, Sheryl, Glenn and Barry would take us boys down in back of their home in the woods. This was fun. I can't remember what we did down there but it was interesting to us "city" boys.

I remember when we went to Uncle Roy's house somewhere outside of Steelville, they would show us boys how to "gig" frogs and hunt squirels in the back woods of their home.

Uncle Jim drove a truck for Von Der Ahe Van Lines just like Uncle Roy did but after a short time, Uncle Jim bought a Furniture Storage warehouse in Robertsville outside Fort Leonard Wood. I remember visiting him when we made trips out that direction.

Uncle Jim was a smart and interesting man. He had been in the Navy and even wrote a novel, a book I think about a western...and was published in California.

After Grandmother died in 1983, we attended her funeral in Bourbon and after the funeral we went to a restaurant in Sullivan. Several of the Pratt family with their children all crowded into the small restaurant and we sat at talbes that were pushed together.

Myself and my youngest daughter Crystal who was about 5 years old sat across from Uncle Jim. I turned to Crystal and I said..."This is your Great Uncle Jim" and pointed to Uncle Jim. He looked at her and smiled and she looked at him and after a long thoughful pause said. "What makes you so great?" This took us all by surprise and Uncle Jim was at lost for words, he shrugged his shouldres and said, "Because I am." We all had a good laugh about that one.

When Uncle Jim was in poor health, due to surgery complications and we would visit him in

Waynesville at the nursing home or hospital he was residing. He would fade in and out of mental clarity and recognized me and I felt so sad to see such a great and powerful man losing his grip on life. Shortly after our last visit he passed on.

But, he will always be remembered as my Uncle Jim and in my eyes he was Great.

Floyd Thomas Pratt 1 February 2011

2003 Letter written to one of her sons; Randy & Penny Pratt family

November 25, 2003

Dear Randy & family,

With a heavy heart, I cannot express my sorrow in the passing of Aunt Juanita. I have waited a few weeks in order to collect my sentiments and thoughts and I pray that my feelings will be received with a spirit of love.

I regret that I could not attend the family reunion last September due to financial and other obligations. I had planned to visit you and Aunt Juanita on that trip but it was not possible.

I do not send cards to people I know and love. I write letters to express my feelings and how important they are to me.

After researching our family history for the last 28 years, I feel like I am part of all the families I have come to know and love.

I wish to express some of the great times I had visiting with you and your family.

As a city boy growing up in St. Louis, my most enjoyable times were when we would travel together out to see Grandma Pratt. In the course of our visits we would see Aunt Edith and Uncle Chester and Uncle Jim and Aunt Juanita.

Your parents lived on a small gravel road off the highway and the two-story house faced interstate 44.

You and your brothers would take us out into the woods in back of the house and shoot squirrels or something and I enjoyed the country life and envied you guys for getting to live in such an area.

You probably thought it was very boring, but to me, I was a displaced country boy and would have gladly traded places with you.

Aunt Juanita was always a gracious host and was always kind to my brothers and me. In fact I cannot remember a harsh word or any profanity coming from her and I always felt she was a special woman and a kind mother.

The last time I saw her was at the family reunion in 2001 and was able to share some Cherokee stories about her ancestry. After researching and finding out the Pratts had a Cherokee heritage, I formed a bond and mutual respect for her as a sister and she became in my opinion, part of my

family.

I corresponded with her via email and phone calls several times this year and shared information with her about her Lynch family connections. The last time we talked, a few weeks before she passed on, we talked for over and hour and a half and she was concerned about the expense to me. I assured her that I had unlimited long distance and she was relieved.

She was surprised to find that James Lynch Jr. had married (1810) Elizabeth (**PRATT**) in Buncombe Co., North Carolina and had moved to Greene County, Tennessee. Elizabeth (**PRATT**) we believe had a Cherokee heritage.

They had several children, and after moving to Pulaski County, MO maybe on the "Trail of Tears", their son Calvin Vilander Lynch married and after the death of his mother, Elizabeth, moved to Vilander, Crawford Co, Missouri a few doors down from the Henry Winslow Pratt family.

I was surprised to find that she had the Lynch's in her family line but it was a small world back then.

For some reason, several months before her death, she sent me pages and pages of her family lines and after her untimely death, I realized she had been prompted to do that so I could do the temple work for her family. I don't think she knew her time was short but the Lord did and I can now do her family work for her.

I am saddened for you and your family for her untimely departure, however, I am glad she and Uncle Jim have been reunited and they await us all. Because Uncle Jim and Aunt Juanita have gone on before us, they will have so much information to share with us about the family, I am looking forward to seeing them again.

I miss Aunt Juanita and her upbeat spirit and kind disposition. I hope these words are of some comfort to you and your family and if my health permits me, I am looking forward to being able to fellowship with you and your family in the near future.

With deepest sympathies, Tommy Pratt

2003 Life after death testimony

When my Uncle Jim died back in 1999 his wife, my Aunt Juanita used to call him her honey. I did Uncle Jim's Temple work for him in July 2003 in the Orlando Temple.

When Aunt Juanita became ill and was sick and close to crossing the veil in 2003, as she lay in her hospital bed, with family and friends, she turned towards the doorway of her hospital room and pointed and said, "There's my honey" and died shortly after.

Apparently Uncle Jim who had his Temple work done in July of 2003 accepted the work and was allowed to escort his wife across the veil when she died in October 2003. Neither one of them were very religious or attended church but the witnesses stated this was a true event. FTP

James next married Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (WAYBRIGHT), daughter of Troy Waybright and Daisy Katherine "Kate" (WARNER), in 1979 in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States. Elizabeth was born on 8 April 1933 in Cherry Grove, Pendleton, West Virginia, United States. They had no children.

1933 Birthblock of Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (WAYBRIGHT) daughter of Troy and Daisy Katherine "Kate" (WARNER) Waybright

Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (**WAYBRIGHT**) was born in Cherry Grove, Pendleton, West Virginia, United States on 8 April 1933.

1935 Residency at Blue Grass, Highland, Virginia, United States

1940 Federal Census age 7

Route 644, Blue Grass, Highland, Virginia

WAYBRIGHT, Troy head w m 50; Kate W. wife w f 47; Thomas J. son w m 25; Cannie 15; Troy son w m 12; Joseph son w m 9; Elizabeth R. dau w f 7; Ardath 4; **WARNER**, James B. 74

1952 Marriage of Kenneth Ray Foster and Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (WAYBRIGHT)

Kenneth Ray Foster and Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (**WAYBRIGHT**) were married in Brooklyn, Baltimore, Maryland, United States in 1952.

4 children with Kenneth Foster

1971 Death of father; Troy Waybright

Troy Waybright died in Blue Grass Twp, Highland, Virginia, United States on 22 November 1971.

1976 Death of mother; Daisy Katherine "Kate" (WARNER) Waybright

Daisy Katherine "Kate" (**WARNER**) Waybright died in Blue Grass Twp, Highland, Virginia, United States on 18 October 1976.

1978 Death of spouse: Sergeant Major Kenneth Ray Foster

Sergeant Major Kenneth Ray Foster died at Quincy, Quincy Twp, Adams, Illinois, United States on 28 September 1978. Sergeant Foster was on active duty assigned to Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri and was defusing a bomb in Qunicy, Illinois when the bomb exploded killing him.

1979 Marriage of James "Jim" Henry Pratt and widow; Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (WAYBRIGHT) Foster

James "Jim" Henry Pratt and widow; Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (**WAYBRIGHT**) Foster were married in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States in 1979.

1987 Divorce of James "Jim" Henry Pratt and Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (WAYBRIGHT) Foster Pratt

James "Jim" Henry Pratt and Elizabeth "Liz" Rose (**WAYBRIGHT**) Foster Pratt were divorced in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States in January 1987.

Email sent to Barry Pratt 7 August 2013

Subject: Liz and Roberta

Barry how's the book. Funny thing, you are the only one to have bought a copy out of all of Lum's descendants. If all I sell is one copy then, I don't plan on creating anymore of that type of book.

Too much hard work and writing and organizing it took me over 6 months to complete. The reason I am writing is...you had stated that your Dad's ex...Liz lived in Waynesville. Do you know her last name? I would like to get in touch with her to fill in some gaps in your Dad's history. Do you know when your Dad married her and/or divorced her? Also, concerning Roberta who died on your Dad's farm in Licking, Missouri, do you know her last name and where she is buried? If you don't know the answers, would maybe one of your siblings know the answers? I could use your help. Cousin Tom

Email from Barry Pratt 7 August 2013

Tom, I haven't had a chance to dive in yet. Randy, Sheryl, and lots of our cousins are on FB, maybe they'd be interested in your book. I don't know much about Roberta, except that she lived in Nebo next to dad's farm. Sheryl would know more about dates and times. I lived on the east coast during this part of dad's life, and I only met Roberta a couple of times. As for Liz, I just found her via google, here's her info. I haven't had any contact with her for more than 20 years. I remember her as a very nice lady, so she probably wouldn't mind talking to you. If you do, please give her my regards, I thought highly of her. Elizabeth Foster, 131 Holly Dr Saint Robert, MO 573-336-5918

Research Note

Talked to Liz on 25 August 2013. She was 80 yrs old and gave me a great deal of family history information. FTP

3. Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt (Henry Winslow "Win" 1) was born on 23 November 1894 in Johnson Township, Washington County, Missouri, United States, died on 12 August 1962 in Veterans Administration Hospital, Jefferson Barracks, Carondolet Township, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States at age 67, and was buried on 16 August 1962 in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Lemay, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States.



Jesse "Jess" Lee

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2013

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1894 Birthblock of Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Jesse "Jess" Lee Pratt was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 23 November 1894.

Date from the 1900 census states he was born November 1894 in Missouri.

Date from the 1910 census states he was born 1895 in Missouri.

Date from the WW1 draft registration states he was born 23 April 1893 in Washington County, Missouri.

Date from the 1920 census states he was born 1896 in Missouri.

Date from the 1930 census states he was born 1896 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states he was born 1896 in Missouri.

Date from death certificate states he was born 23 April 1895 in Sullivan, Missouri. Date from the grave marker at Jefferson Barracks National Cemtery states he was born 23 April 1895.

Research Note

As usual in research, conflicting dates and places are evident in this individual. Since his mother stated on 15 June 1900 census he was born November 1894, and Jesse was 5 years old at that time then I suppose his mother knew his actual birthdate. Therefore, I would believe his mother and father in 1900 and say his birth was 23 November 1894 even though he used 23 April all his life. His father was living at the Blanton mansion at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Township, Washington, Missouri, United States, therefore his statement that he was born in Washington County in the WW1 draft registration is correct. At that time he filled out the registration card (5 June 1917) he was living in Sullivan, MO. -Floyd Thomas Pratt

1895 Malaria broke out in Washington, D.C.

1895 Radio signals were discovered by Guglielmo Marconi

1895 The diesel engine was invented by Rudolf Diesel

1895 The disposable razor blade was invented by King C. Gillette

1895 The phantascope was invented by C. Francis Jenkins

1895 The phatoptiken projector was invented by Woodville Latham

1895 The J&E Stevens Co. began making cast-iron Rival toy stoves.

They were sold with a coal bucket, a tea kettle, frying pan and cooking pot. The company was in business until the 1930s

1896 Henry Ford manufactured his first motor car

1896 Death of grandmother; Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missey

Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missey died near Crows Creek, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Saturday, 28 March 1896. Age 2 years, 3 months, 27 days

1896 Burial of grandmother; Cynthia N. (TALBOT) Missey

Cynthia N. (**TALBOT**) Missey was buried in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States a few days after 28 March 1896.

1896 The electric stove was invented by William S. Hadaway

1896 The steam turbine was invented by Charles Curtis

1896 The vitascope was invented by Thomas Armat

1897 William McKinley became the 25th President of the United States

William McKinley became the 25th President of the United States on Thursday, 4 March 1897

1897 Childbirth of brother; Albert "Al" Paris Pratt

Albert "Al" Paris Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Monday, 28 June 1897. Age 3 years, 6 months, 27 days

1897 Sir Ronald Ross discovered that mosquitos spread malaria

Sir Ronald Ross discovered that mosquitos spread malaria on Friday, 20 August 1897.

1897 Marconi built the first wireless telegraph station on the Isle of Wight

1897 The Creed teleprinter for newspapers was invented by Frederick Creed

1897 The automobile magneto was invented by Robert Bosch

1898 The remote control was invented by Nikola Tesla

1898 Gund introduced the first mass-produced musical toys and soft toys

1898 Spain declared war on the United States

Spain declared war on the United States on Sunday, 24 April 1898.

1898 The United States declared war on Spain

The United States declared war on Spain Monday, 25 April 1898

1898 The United States annexed Guam

The United States annexed Guam on Monday, 20 June 1898.

1898 Yellow fever in Cuba kills over 5,000 solders

Yellow fever in Cuba kills over 5,000 solders fighting in the Spanish-American war; 5 times the number killed in combat from July 1898 to August 1898

1898 The United States annexed Hawaii

The United States annexed Hawaii on Thursday, 7 July 1898.

1899 The automobile self starter was invented by Clyde J. Coleman

1899 The gas turbine was invented by Charles Curtis

1899 The magnetic tape recorder was invented by Valdemar Poulsen

1899 The Spanish-American War ended when a peace treaty was signed

The Spanish-American War ended when a peace treaty was signed on Monday, 6 February 1899.

1899 Childbirth of brother; Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt was born at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on Tuesday, 4 July 1899. Age 5 years, 7 months, 3 days

1899 Oahu, Hawaii saw its first case of plague

Oahu, Hawaii saw its first case of plague on Tuesday, 12 December 1899.

1900-1910 Death of Great-Grandmother; Marie "Mary" Françoise (PIQUETTE) Missé

Marie "Mary" Francoise (**PIQUETTE**) Misse died in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States between 1900 and 1910, because she is in the 1900 census and not the 1910 census. About Age 7 years through About 17 years

1900 As many as 90% of the inhabitants in some British towns had tuberculosis

1900 Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin built the first rigid airship

1900 The Charles Seeberger redesigned Jesse Reno's escalator and invented the modern escalator

1900 The rigid dirigible airship was invented by Ferdinand Graf von Zeppelin

1900 Song: "She's Only A Bird In A Gilded Cage"

Song: "A Bird In A Gilded Cage" composed by Arthur J. Lamb (lyrics) and Harry Von Tilzer (music).

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5EN_wsQwfd4&feature=related http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A Bird in a Gilded Cage

1900 Baseball cards were first introduced

1900 Lionel Trains (Lionel) began

When Joshua Lionel Cowen was just 22 years old he created a battery-powered train engine. Lionel Trains (Lionel) began

1900 Federal Census age 5

Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 8b, 15 June 1900, line 65, dwelling 131, family 135

PRATT, Henry W. 2 m born September 1871 age 28; Laura wife w f born February 1876 age 24; Lum son w m born December 1893 age 6; <u>Jessie son w m born November 1894 age 5</u>; Albert son w m born June 1897 age 3; Virgile son w m born July 1899 age 10mos [All born in Missouri as were their parents except Henry's father was born in Tennessee. Living next door to David & Fannie (**PRATT**) Campbell, Henry's sister. Laura says they have been married 7 years and she has had 4 children and 4 are living.]

1900-1902 Family Move

From Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1901 Hubert Booth invented a compact and modern vacuum cleaner

1901 King C. Gillette invented the double-edged safety razor

1901 The first radio receiver, successfully received a radio transmission

1901 The improved wireless transmitter was invented by Reginald Fessenden

1901 The mercury vapor lamp was invented by Peter C. Hewitt

1901 The paperclip was invented by Johan Vaaler

1901 Song: "Boola Boola"

The song "Boola Boola was composed by Allan M. Hirsh.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boola_Boola

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OJd5bPHRVOg&feature=related

1901 Song: "Hello Central, Give Me Heaven"

"Hello Central, Give Me Heaven" composed by Charles K. Harris http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2nGOfbEAyS4&feature=related http://www.crawdaddy.com/index.php/2010/09/27/origin-of-song-hello-central-give-metelephone-songs/

1901 Song: "I Love You Truly"

"I Love You Truly" composed by Carrie Jacobs Bond http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/I_Love_You_Truly http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t3YoUNK7NzU&feature=related

1901 Song: "The Easy Winners"

Song: "The Easy Winners" by Scott Joplin http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0UQ3rfM-qNw

1901 Ping-Pong was invented

1901 Theodore Roosevelt became the 26th President of the United States

Theodore Roosevelt became the 26th President of the United States on Monday, 4 March 1901.

1902 Rayon cellulose ester was invented by Arthur D. Little

1902 The French physicist George Claude invented the neon light

1902 The radio magnetic detector was invented by Guglielmo Marconi

1902 The radio telephone was invented by Poulsen Reginald Fessenden

1902 The Teddy Bear was invented

The "Teddy Bear" was invented by Morris Michtom, who received permission to use the name after Teddy Roosevelt

1902 The the lie detector or polygraph machine was invented by James Mackenzie

1902 Willis Carrier invented the air conditioner

1902 The book, "The Expert at the Card Table," was published by S.W. Erdnase.

The book revealed secrets behind card tricks and cheating techniques

1902 Song: "Bill Bailey Won't You Please Come Home"

Song: "Bill Bailey Won't You Please Come Home" composed by Hughie Cannon

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Won't_You_Come_Home_Bill_Bailey http://s0.ilike.com/play#Bobby+Darin:Won% 27t+You+Come+Home+Bill+Bailey:973675:s29921202.8849736.6122.0.2.13% 2Cstd_d677de3a3a8044cc9161643c4edcf910

1902 Song: "In The Good Old Summertime"

Song: "In The Good Old Summertime" by George Evans and lyrics by Ren Shields . http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/In_the_Good_Old_Summer_Time http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D2EGKIM_tzc

1902 Childbirth of brother: Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Friday, 3 January 1902. Age 8 years, 1 month, 2 days

1902 Grandfather marriage of François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé and Mary Lavina (CAUFIELD)

François Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé (Grandfather) and Mary Lavina (**CAUFIELD**) (Relative) were married on Wednesday, 5 March 1902. Age 8 years, 3 months, 4 days.

- 1903 Edward Binney and Harold Smith co-invented crayons
- 1903 The bottle machine was invented by Michael Owens
- 1903 The bottle-making machinery was invented by Michael J. Owens
- 1903 The electrocardiograph (EKG) was invented by Willem Einthoven
- 1903 Mary Anderson invented windshield wipers
- 1903 William Coolidge invented ductile tungsten used in lightbulbs

1903 Edwin Binney and C. Harold Smith produced the first box of Crayola crayons.

The name, Crayola, came from the French words meaning oily chalk

1903 The Wright brothers invented the first gas motored and manned airplane

1903 Song: "Sweet Adeline"

Song: "Sweet Adeline" by Richard H. Gerard to music by Harry Armstrong, from a tune he had written in 1896 at the age of 18.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sweet_Adeline_(song)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zXp5ak83WSQ

1904 Benjamin Holt invented the tractor

- 1904 John A Fleming invented a vacuum diode or Fleming valve
- 1904 The separable Attachment Plug was invented by Harvey Hubbell
- 1904 The thermionic valve was invented by John Ambrose Fleming

1904 Song: "Give My Regards To Broadway"

Song: "Give My Regards To Broadway" written by George M. Cohan for his musical play *Little Johnny Jones* (initiated 1904 in a Broadway theater).

http://s0.ilike.com/play#Barry+Manilow:Give+My+Regards+To+Broadway:99532:s55590822.1 3448516.5650091.0.2.146%2Cstd_3776ca37a7f242009d2447fcb68e612a

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Give_My_Regards_to_Broadway

1904 Song: "Meet Me In St. Louie, Louie"

Song: "Meet Me In St. Louie, Louie" The words were by Andrew B. Sterling; the music, by Kerry Mills

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Meet_Me_in_St._Louis,_Louis

http://s0.ilike.com/play#Judy+Garland:Meet+Me+In+St.+Louis%

2C+Louis:99558:s53810228.13130043.22887297.0.2.169%2Cstd_

5e7ada0247714d90b2982273a99d5f64

"Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis", better known as just *Meet Me in St. Louis*, was a popular song from 1904 which celebrated the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, i.e., the St. Louis World's Fair. The song was published in 1904 in New York by Mills's firm operating under the name F. A. Mills . It was recorded by many artists such as William F. Denny and Billy Murray. The song and the fair were focal points of the Judy Garland , *Meet Me in St. Louis* . Garland recorded the song in 1944. "Louis" in the song is pronounced "LOO-ee", akin to the French. The song is one of the few instances of pronouncing the city's name that way. It is normally pronounced "LOO-is". The song, which is generally styled in the form of a limerick , has many and varied verses, few of which are remembered today - unlike the chorus. In the original sheet music, the chorus is the same for the first two verses but varies in verses three through six, which are essentially jokes with the punch line in the chorus.

1904 Song: "Frankie And Johnny"

Song: "Frankie And Johnny" by Hughie Cannon

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frankie_and_Johnny_(song)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=msLG5uEOkYA&feature=related

It has been suggested that the song was inspired, or its details influenced, by one or more actual murders. One of these took place in St. Louis, Missouri, on October 15, 1899, when Frankie Baker, a 22-year-old dancer, stabbed (or shot) her 17-year-old lover Allen "Al" Britt, who was having a relationship with a woman named Alice Pryor. Britt died of his wounds two days later. On trial, Baker claimed that Britt had attacked her with a knife and that she acted in self-defense; she was acquitted and died in a Portland, Oregon mental institution in 1952. The song has also been linked to Frances Silver, convicted in 1832 of murdering her husband Charles Silver in Burke County, North Carolina. Unlike Frankie Baker, Silver was executed.

1904 Childbirth of sister; Ruth Jane (PRATT)

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Monday, 8 August 1904. Age 10 years, 8 months, 7 days

1904 The card game, Pit, was first produced.

It was one of the first games where all players acted at the same time

1904 The teabags were invented by Thomas Suillivan

1904-1907 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1905 Albert Einstein published the Theory of Relativity

1905 Mary Anderson received a patent for windshield wipers

1905 The radio tube diode was invented by John Ambrose Fleming

1905 Song: "In My Merry Oldsmobile"

Song: "In My Merry Oldsmobile" music by Gus Edwards and lyrics by Vincent P. Bryan . http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/In_My_Merry_Oldsmobile http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UtbvEP4-aAU

1905 Song: "My Gal Sal"

Song: "My Gal Sal" words and music by Paul Dresser

1906 Lee Deforest invented electronic amplifying tube (triode)

1906 Lewis Nixon invented the first sonar-like device

1906 The triode amplifier was invented by Lee DeForest

1906 William Kellogg invented Cornflakes

1906 Song: "Anchors Away"

Song: "Anchors Away" by Charles A. Zimmerman with lyrics by Alfred Hart Miles.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anchors_Aweigh

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BRI8xJY3NZc&feature=related

1906 Song: "King Porter Stomp"

Song: "King Porter Stomp"

"King Porter Stomp" is a tune by Jelly Roll Morton.

Morton first recorded the number in 1923 as a piano solo, but did not file a copyright on the tune until 1924. That year, Morton recorded a duet version with Joe "King" Oliver on cornet. Morton said that he had actually written the tune almost 20 years earlier, and that it was named after his friend and fellow pianist Porter King.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/King_Porter_Stomp

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZXdHqVWQx2q

1906 The first "Tootsie Toys" were made by the Dowst Company in Chicago

1906 The game, Touring, was published by Wallie Dorr Company.

It was picked up by Parker Brothers in 1925. It was the inspiration for the present game, Mille Bornes.

1906 Song: "You're A Grand Old Flag"

Song: "You're A Grand Old Flag" by George M. Cohan

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8JSBUiQrKvY&feature=related

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/You're_a_Grand_Old_Flag

1907 Color photography invented by Auguste and Louis Lumiere

1907 Leo Baekeland invents the first synthetic plastic called Bakelite

1907 The Bubonic plaque broke out in San Francisco

The Bubonic plague broke out in San Francisco on Monday, 27 May 1907.

1907 Childbirth of sister; Mary Senter (PRATT)

Mary Senter (**PRATT**) was born Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on Wednesday, 12 June 1907. Age 13 years, 6 months, 11 days

1907 The radio tube triode was invented by Lee DeForest

1907 The radio amplifier was invented by Lee DeForest

1907 The first piloted helicopter was invented by Paul Cornu

1907 The vacuum cleaner, (electric) was invented by James Spangler

1907 The washer, (electric) was invented by Alva Fisher (Hurley Corporation)

1907 Song: "The Caissons Go Rolling Along"

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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Army_Goes_Rolling_Along

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yJybwgtR970

The Caisson Song

The song is based on the "Caisson Song" written by field artillery (later Brigadier General) Edmund L. Gruber, Lieutenant William Bryden, and Lieutenant (later Major General) Robert Danford while stationed at Fort Stotsenburg in the Philippines in March 1908. The tune quickly became popular in field artillery units. In 1917 the Secretary of the Navy and Army Lieutenant George Friedlander of the 306th Field Artillery asked John Philip Sousa to create a march using the "Caisson Song." Sousa changed the key, harmony, and rhythm and renamed it "U.S. Field Artillery." The recording sold 750,000 copies. Sousa didn't know who had written the song and had been told that it dated back to the Civil War. Although an Army magazine claims that Sousa passed on his royalties to Gruber other sources state that Gruber became involved in a prolonged legal battle to recover the rights to music he had written and that had been lifted (unknowingly or not) by Sousa and widely sold by sheet music publishers who reaped profits while Gruber received nothing. The music became so popular that it was also used in radio ads by firms such as the Hoover Vacuum Company. Gruber lost his battle in the courts. They ruled that he had waited too long to complain and that his music was by that time in the public domain. "The Caisson Song" was never designated as the official U.S.Army song likely because the lyrics were too closely identified with the field artillery and not the entire army. The official song retains Gruber's music, but with re-written lyrics.

1907 Song: "School Days"

Song: "School Days" by Will Cobb and Gus Edwards http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/School_Days_(1907_song)

1908 Cellophane was invented by Jacques E. Brandenberger

1908 Fritz Haber invented the Haber Process for making artificial nitrates

1908 J W Geiger and W Müller invented the geiger counter

1908 The gyrocompass invented by Elmer A. Sperry

1908 The Ford model T was first sold

1908 Song: "Cuddle Up A Little Closer, Lovey Mine"

Song: "Cuddle Up A Little Closer, Lovey Mine" The music was written by Karl Hoschna, the lyrics by Otto Harbach.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cuddle_up_a_Little_Closer,_Lovey_Mine

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-blPhGfbChM

1908 Song: "Take Me Out To The Ballgame"

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The words were written in 1908 by vaudevilles s tar Jack Norworth, who while riding a subway train, was inspired by a sign that said "Baseball Today - Polo Grounds ". In the song, Katie's (and later Nelly's) beau calls to ask her out to see a show. She accepts the date, but only if her date will take her out to the ballgame. The words were set to music by Albert Von Tilzer, (Norworth and Von Tilzer finally saw their first Major League Baseball games 32 and 20 years later, respectively). The song was first sung by Norworth's then-wife Nora Bayes and popularized by many other vaudeville acts. It was played at a ballpark for the first known time in 1934, at a high-school game in Los Angeles, and researchers think it made its debut at a major-league park later that year.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Take_Me_Out_to_the_Ball_Game

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q4-qsdLSSQ0

1908 Song: "Shine On, Harvest Moon"

Song: "Shine On, Harvest Moon" "Shine On, Harvest Moon" is the name of a popular early-1900s song credited to the married vaudeville team Nora Bayes and Jack Norworth. It was one of a series of moon related Tin Pan Alley songs of the era. The song was debuted by the composers in the Ziegfeld Follies of 1908 to great acclaim. It became a pop standard, and continues to be performed and recorded into the 21st century.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shine_On,_Harvest_Moon

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D7Mu9fh23dY

1909 Instant coffee invented by G. Washington

1909 The gun silencer was invented by Hiram Percy Maxim

1909 The monoplane was invented by Henry W. Walden

1909 Song: "Casey Jones"

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http://www.contemplator.com/america/casyjones.html

There are several songs about Casey Jones, the famous railway man of the Illinois Central.

The songs are based on the train wreck of April 1900 at Vaughan, Mississippi. Jones was a well-known and respected driver. He was driving No. 382, possibly for a sick friend. The switching station at Vaughan did not have enough room to accommodate the length of trains there. Flagmen were sent to warn Jones, but for unknown reasons, he was unaware of the problem until it was too late. Jones was killed in the accident. He left a wife and three children. The first Casey Jones ballad was written by Wallace Saunders, Casey's African-American engine wiper. It was sung to the tune *Jimmy Jones*, which was popular at the time. Engineer William Leighton heard the song. His brothers Frank and Bert, vaudeville performers, polished the song, added a chorus, and began to perform it in their act. When the ballad was published in 1902 the words were credited to T. Lawrence Seibert, and Eddie Newton was credited with the music.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03jwHrO7ubl

1909 Song: "Put On Your Old Grey Bonnet"

Song: "Put On Your Old Grey Bonnet"

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wH5X_sd7ZQo&feature=related

1910 Federal Census age 15

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242, family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; <u>Jessie L. son w m 15</u>; Albert P. son w m 13; Virgil R. son w m 9; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. This is their first marriage and they have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single. Living a few doors down from John & Susan (WEST) Studdard family. Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey, Laura's father. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and son-in-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C. F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

1911 Grandfather in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section: *C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.*

1911 Childbirth of brother; Orville Hayes Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt was born 17 December 1911 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1912 Death of grandfather; Alxander R. "Alex" Pratt

Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1912.

[1] Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died either the early part of 1912 (Jan-Mar) or the latter (Oct-Dec) according to his grandson, Fred Callahan. The roads were icy and they could not take his body back to Sullivan so they buried him the Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. He died at his daughter's residence Thomas Livey & Polina (PRATT) Callahan's home near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

[2] Date on metal plate at gravesite states 1831-1912 from gravesite marker at Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1913 Death of mother-in-law; Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson Mary Jane Theodosia "Dosia" (BARTON) Johnson died on Walnut Street, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 December 1913.

1914 Death of father; Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt

Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt died at near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 March 1914.

[1] Death Certificate: Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #12055

As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Winslow Pratt March 24, 1914 Crawford 12055 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

"Winslow Pratt white married male born 6 September 1868 in Missouri to Alexander Pratt born in Missouri and Mary Kimberlin born Missouri. Winslow is a farmer. James P. Dunnigan M.D. was attending physician from 1 February 1914 to 24 March 1914 and Winslow died of ureaiei and chronic intestinal mephitis. He died at 9:30am on 24 March 1914 at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States and was buried on 26 March 1914 at Crawford County, Missouri. The informant was Lum Missey, Bourbon, Missouri."

[Urea: A nitrogen-containing substance normally cleared from the blood by the kidney into the urine . Diseases that compromise the function of the kidney often lead to increased blood levels of urea, as measured by the blood urea nitrogen test. Mephitic or carbon dioxide poisoning. - mephitic, mephitical, adj. It appears Winslow ate something at Christmas and it poisoned him.]

1914-1918 Family Move

From Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. It appears after the death of Winslow, Mary took the family back to Bourbon where in 1918 her daughter Mary died in Bourbon and where Mary listed her residence on the death certificate.

1916 Death of grandfather; Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Missé

Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Misse died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 April 1916.

1917 Military Involvement

PVT US ARMY WORLD WAR I

Jesse Lee Pratt served in the Army in WWI and was exposed to Mustard Gas and suffered for the rest of his life. Witnesses say he would blink his eyes very quickly to keep moisture on them.

1917 World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name:Jesse L Pratt City:Not Stated County:Crawford State:Missouri Birthplace:Missouri;United States of America Birth Date:23 Apr 1893 Race:Caucasian (White) Roll:1683163 DraftBoard:0 Date 5 June 1917

Soldiers' Records: War of 1812 - World War I

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Search Details

ntbl PRATT, JESSE L. 2,182,726 Wntbl (Surname) (Christian name) (Army serial number) (Race)ntbl Residence:ntbl SULLIVAN, MOntbl (Street and house number) (Town or City) (County) (State)ntbl *Inducted at: STEELVILLE on 4/25/1918ntbl Place of birth: SULLIVAN, MO Age or date of birth: 23 YRSntbl Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers: 19 CO 164 DEP BRIG TO 15 MAY/18; CO E 354 INFANTRY TO DISCHARGEntbl Grades, with date of appointment: PVTntbl Engagements: ntbl Wounds or other injuries received in action: SEVERELYntbl Served overseas from † 6/5/1918 To † 4/2/1919 from † To †ntbl Honorably discharged on demobilization Yntbl In view of occupation he was, on date of discharge, reported N per cent disabled.ntbl Remarks: INJURED 27 OCT 1918ntbl Form No. 724-1, A.G.O. *Strike out words not applicable. †Dates of departure from and arrival in the U.S.

1920 Federal Census age 25

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 177A, 3 January 1920, Farm 22: **BURGISS**, Henry A. head w m 37; Della L. wife w f 32; Meredith H. son w m 5; Lee S. son w m 2 yrs **PRATT**, Jesse L. hired man w m 24

[All born Missouri as are parents. Henry owned his home with a mortgage. Jesse could read and write.]

1929 Marriage of Jesse Lee Pratt and Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) Davidson

Saint Louis, Missouri Marriages Book " ", page

Jesse L. Pratt and Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) Davidson were married on 22 September 1929 in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States.

Occupation

Carpenter, woodworker on pullman cars for the railroad. Worked on President Roosevelt's personal pullman car. Information from Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) Davidson Pratt.

1930 Federal Census age 35

1815 Lafayette Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, page 245a, 9 April 1930, line 33, dwelling 1815, house 67, family 406

PRATT, Jesse L. head w m 34; Nadine wife w f 24; Emmett son w m 4

[All were born in Missouri as was their parents. Jesse was a woodworker for a Car company and was renting his house at \$24 a month. His first marriage was at age 32 and Nadine's 1st marriage was at age 22. Emmett is actually Emmet Ray Davidson Jr. of Nadine's first marriage. Living next door to [family 403] Roy Thomas Pratt and George Elliott Richter.]

1932 Witness of Marriage of Orville Hayes Pratt and Mary Olive (MALLOW)

[1] St. Louis City Marriage Index: FHL#0528155

Orville Pratt & Olive Mallow, marriage license date July 12, 1932, license #338076, Volume 120, Page 638.

[2] Trinity Lutheran Church, 1805 S. Eighth Street, St. Louis, MO 63104 http://www.historictrinitystlouis.org

Orville Pratt & Olive Mallow, married July 12, 1932, Groom 22 years old from Bourbon, Missouri. Bride 19 years old from Sullivan, Missouri. License #338076 dated July 12, 1932, witnesses, Jesse Pratt; Nadine Pratt.

1935 Residency in 2724 Caroline Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 45

2724 Caroline Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, page 1813a, 8 April 1940, line 30, house 2724, dwelling 105

PRATT, Jess head w m 44; Nadine wife w f 34; **DAVIDSON**, Talmadge dau w f 18; Ruth dau w f 16; Emmett son w m 14

[Jess and Nadine were born in Missouri the rest were born in Illinois. Jess is a wood worker for the Pulman Car Shops. Talmadge is a nurse maid for a private home. Ruth is a press roller for a hospital laundry. They are renting.]

Research Note

Should be noted that Talmadge, Ruth and Emmett were children from Nadine's previous marriage to Emmett Emit Ray Roy Davidson Davison Sr.

1962 Death of Jesse Lee Pratt

Jesse Lee Pratt died in the Veterns Administration Hospital, Jefferson Barracks, Carondolet Twp, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 12 August 1962.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, 1962, File#62-033252. Jesse Lee Pratt married, white, male, 67 years old, was born 23 April 1895 in Sullivan, Missouri to Winslow Pratt and Laura Missey. Jesse Pratt was a woodworker for the Pullman Car. Co. He served in WW1. He died on 12 August 1962 at Veterns Administration Hospital, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. His usual residence was Rt 1, Leasburg, Crawford County, MO. The informant was wife, Nadine Pratt, Route 1, Leasburg, Missouri. He was buried at the National Cemetery, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri on 16 August 1962.

1962 Burial of Jesse Lee Pratt

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States

http://www.cem.va.gov/CEM/cems/nchp/jeffersonbarracks.asp

PRATT, JESSE LEE PVT US ARMY WORLD WAR I; DATE OF BIRTH: 04/23/1895; DATE OF DEATH: 08/12/1962; BURIED AT: SECTION D SITE 1019

U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name:Jesse Lee Pratt Service Info.:PVT US ARMY WORLD WAR I Birth Date:23 Apr 1895Death Date:12 Aug 1962 Service Start Date:25 Apr 1918 Interment Date:16 Aug 1962 Cemetery:Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery Cemetery Address:2900 Sheridan Road St. Louis, MO 63125 Buried At:Section D Site 1019

Social Security Death Index

Name:Jesse L. Pratt SSN:708-16-9078 Born:23 Apr 1895 Died:12 Aug 1962 State (Year) SSN issued:Railroad Board (Issued Through) (Before 1951)

Jesse married Nadine Mae (SKAGGS), daughter of Thornton "Hob" Wilburn Skaggs and Mary Rebecca Jane (HAGGARD), on 22 September 1929 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States. Nadine was born on 1 November 1905 in Bonne Terre, Perry Township, Saint Francois County, Missouri, United States, died on 22 October 1989 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States at age 83, and was buried on 25 October 1989 in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Lemay, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States. They had no children.



Nadine Mae (SKAGGS)

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) by Floyd Thomas</u> <u>Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 8 July 2011</u>

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1905 Birthblock of Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) daughter of Thornton Wilburn & Mary Rebecca Jane (HAGGARD) Skaggs

Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) was born in Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States on 1 November 1905.

Date from the 1910 census states she was born

Date from the 1920 census states she was born in 1906 in Missouri.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born in 1906 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states she was born in 1906 in Missouri.

Date from the burial records at National Cemetery at Jefferson Barracks states she was born 1 November 1905.

Date given to me at the Bourbon family reunion by Grand Aunt Nadine of 1 November 1905.

1907 Childbirth of brother; Melvin Skaggs

Melvin Skaggs was born in Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States in 1907.

1907 Death of mother; Mary Jane (HAGGARD) Skaggs

Mary Jane (**HAGGARD**) Skaggs dies in 1907 at Bonne Terre, Perry Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States. It appears she may have died in childbirth of Melvin.

1910 Federal Census age 5

Cannot locate

1920 Federal Census age 15

718 Wintenley? Avenue, East St Louis Twp, Ward 8, Saint Clair, Illinois, United States, page 12b & 13a, 10 & 12 January 1920, line 99, house 718, dwelling 244, family 258 **HAGGARD,** Frank head w m 24; Hester wife w f 23; [page 13a] Charles son w m 3 6/12; **SCAGGS**, Nadine niece w f 14

[All born in Missouri including parents, Frank works at a packing plant.]

1920 Marriage of Emmett Ray Davidson and Nadine Mae (SKAGGS)

Emmett Ray Davidson and Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) were married in 1920 in Belleville, Saint Clair, Illinois, United States. [needs verification]

1921 Childbirth of daughter; Georgia Talmadge (DAVIDSON)

Georgia Talmadge (**DAVIDSON**) was born in Rosemont, Washington Park, Canteen Twp, Saint Clair, Illinois, United States on 4 July 1921.

1923 Childbirth of daughter; Charlotte Ruth (DAVIDSON)

Charlotte Ruth (**DAVIDSON**) was born in Rosemont, Washington Park, Canteen Twp, Saint Clair, Illinois, United States on 27 August 1923.

1925 Childbirth of son; Emmett Ray Davidson Jr.

Emmett Ray Davidson Jr. was born in Rosemont, Washington Park, Canteen Twp, Saint Clair, Illinois, United States on 10 January 1925.

1926-1928 Divorce of Emmett Ray Davidson Sr. and Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) Davidson

Emmett Ray Davidson and Nadine Mae Davidson were divorced in Illinois between 1926-1928.

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St. Louis, Missouri Marriages

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1946 Death of 1st spouse; Emmett Ray Davidson Sr.

Emmett Ray Davidson Sr. died in Memphis, Shelby, Tennessee, United States on 28 January 1946.

1962 Death of spouse; Jesse Lee Pratt

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Researh Note

Could not find her in the Social Security Death Index.

1989 Death of Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) Davidson Pratt

Nadine Mae (**SKAGGS**) Davidson Pratt died at 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 22 October 1989.

Date of 22 October 1989 from the burial record at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

1989 Burial of Nadine Mae (SKAGGS) Davidson Pratt

[1] Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Saint Louis, Missouri 63125 (314) 260-8691

PRATT, NADINE M.; DATE OF BIRTH: 11/01/1905; DATE OF DEATH: 10/22/1989; BURIED AT: SECTION D SITE 1019; WIFE OF PRATT, JESSE LEE PVT US ARMY [2] U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name:Nadine M Pratt Service Info.:PVT US ARMY Birth Date:1 Nov 1905 Death Date:22 Oct 1989 Relation:Wife of Pratt, Jesse Lee Interment Date:25 Oct 1989 Cemetery:Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery Cemetery Address:2900 Sheridan Road St. Louis, MO 63125 Buried At:Section D Site 1019

Email 6 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Hi, Are Nadine's pts James Grundy Skaggs and Alice Whiteaker? When, and where, did her 1st hus, Emmett Davidson died? Her dau Talmadge married a Sapp, what was his given name? How are you doing?

Thanks for the help. Barbara in Georgia genengolf@aol.com May God Continue to Bless America!

Email 6 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Hi Barbara, what do you need to know about Nadine? Floyd

Email 6 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara who are you again? Floyd

Email 7 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

I am Barbara Geisert. I do not have a direct Pratt line.

My line is via Sansoucie, Cain, Emily, Yates, Missey, Skaggs, Delcour etc.

However, I have gathered data about many Skaggs/Missey families in the area.

I see I typed Emmett Davidson, the name is Emmett Davison, no d.

First Generation

1. Nadine Mae SKAGGS-7367 was born on 1 Nov 1905 in Missouri, USA. She died on 22 Oct 1989. She was buried on 25 Oct 1989 in Jefferson Barracks Cem, St Louis, Missouri, USA. Nadine married (1-MRIN:24187) Emmett DAVISON-62965 before 1921. Emmett was born before 1901. He died after 1926.

They had the following children:

- + 2 F i. Talmadge L DAVISON-54848 was born on 4 Jul 1921. She died on 6 Jan 2003.
- 3 F ii. Ruth C DAVISON-54850 was born on 27 Aug 1923. She died on 3 Dec 2001 in Des Plaines, Cook, Illinois, USA. She was buried in Dec 2001 in Jefferson Barracks Cem, St Louis, Missouri, USA.

Ruth married (MRIN:21105) James C HISAW-54851 about 1944. James was born about 1922. He died on 1 Jul 2003 in Des Plaines, Cook, Illinois, USA. He was buried on 11 Jul 2003 in Jefferson Barracks Cem, St Louis, Missouri, USA.

4 M iii. Emmett Ray DAVISON-54852 was born on 10 Jan 1926 in Missouri, USA. He died on 6 Dec 1985 in Florissant, St Louis, Missouri, USA. He was buried on 17 Dec 1985 in Jefferson Barracks Cem, St Louis, Missouri, USA.

Nadine married (2-MRIN:4860) Jesse Lee PRATT-7357 son of Henry Winslow PRATT-52874 and Laura Mary Magdalene MISSEY-6541 (MRIN:4391) about 1928. Jesse was born on 23 Apr 1895 in Crawford Co, Missouri, USA. He died on 12 Aug 1962 in Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, USA. He was buried on 16 Aug 1962 in Jefferson Barracks Cem, St Louis, Missouri, USA.

Second Generation

2. Talmadge L DAVISON-54848 (Nadine Mae) was born on 4 Jul 1921 in Rosebud, Pope, Illinois, USA. She died on 6 Jan 2003 in Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, USA?. She was buried on 9 Jan 2003 in cremated, no cemetery listed.

Talmadge married (MRIN:21104) Unk SAPP-54849 before 1944. Unk was born about 0019. He died after 1945.

They had the following children:

5 F i. Sondra Jane SAPP-62966 was born about 1944. She died after 2003 in Alive 2003, Hallsville, Boone, Missouri, USA.

Sondra married (MRIN:24188) Wilbert O MONNEY-62967. Wilbert was born on 22 Jan 1945. 6 F ii. Ruth Ann SAPP-62968 was born about 1945. She died after 2003 in Alive 2003, Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, USA.

Ruth married (MRIN:24189) Herman A HOERATH-62969. Herman was born about 1936. He died after 2003 in Alive 2003, Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, USA.

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Nadine married (2-MRIN:4860) Jesse Lee PRATT-7357 son of Henry Winslow PRATT-52874 and Laura Mary Magdalene MISSEY-6541 (MRIN:4391) about 1928. Jesse was born on 23 Apr 1895 in Crawford Co, Missouri, USA. He died on 12 Aug 1962 in Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, USA. He was buried on 16 Aug 1962 in Jefferson Barracks Cem, St Louis, Missouri, USA.

Second Generation

- 2. James Grundy SKAGGS-62975 was born on 2 Dec 1850 in Crawford Co, Missouri, USA. He died on 14 Aug 1924 in Perry T, St Francois, Missouri, USA. He was buried on 16 Aug 1924 in Bonne Terre Cem, Bonne Terre, St Francois, Missouri, USA. He married MRIN:38694 Alice WHITEAKER-100861 on 26 Feb 1885 in Crawford Co. Missouri, USA.
- 3. Alice WHITEAKER-100861 was born about 1865 in Tennessee, USA. She died on 30 Mar 1931 in St Louis, Missouri, USA. She was buried on 30 Mar 1931 in Cem, Steelville, Crawford, Missouri, USA.

Third Generation

- 4. Stephen SKAGGS-89606 was born about 1834 in Indiana, USA. He died after 1880 in Alive 1880, Harmony T, Washington, Missouri, USA.. He married MRIN:34768 Elizabeth Minerva HUITTS-89605 on 29 Jan 1850 in Crawford Co, Missouri, USA.
- 5. Elizabeth Minerva HUITTS-89605 was born about 1840 in Missouri, USA. She died after 1880 in Alive 1880, Harmony T, Washington, Missouri, USA. Thanks.

Barbara in Georgia

genengolf@aol.com

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Email 7 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, apparently you are LDS? What I have is extensive information about the family of Ire Skaggs from Londonderry, Ulster, Ireland following his line son; William & Mary (**HATCH**) Skaggs of same location.

These people are Nadine's ancestors. Since, I have all this information about the Skaggs family, i.e., my Aunt Mary Edith (**PRATT**) married Chester Milford Skaggs. Therefore, the Skaggs family interconnects in several locations with the Pratts. Why are you trying now to get Nadine's information? Floyd

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I am not interested in going way back in time, just trying to fill in some of the more current missing dates and places. No, I am not LDS, however, I did volunteer at the church libraries in Sandy Springs and Marietta for several years. Barbara in Georgia genengolf@aol.com May God Continue to Bless America!

Email 7 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, enclosed are Missey family articles you might find interesting. Floyd

Email 7 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Thanks for your info on the Missee family. I too have found it "odd" Charlotte and her family

seemingly dropped off the face of the earth! How research has changed, I had to apply to a judge in Ste G to obtain a copy of Jacques Rev War Affidavit, back in the late 1970's. JoAnn Missey, wf/o Lawrence, gave me her Missee research data back in the late 1970's. It was a wonderful start! Barbara in Georgia genengolf@aol.com May God Continue to Bless America!

Email 8 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, do you know the names of Emmett Ray Davidson's parents? I realize you think that he is Davison but not true. He did not fill in his World War I Draft Registration record...someone else did. He signed it and look at his pennmanship. He could not have written that information so clearly. Also, I found him always listed in the census records as Davidson. Let me know if you know about his parents. Floyd

Email 8 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

1930 Jesse L Pratt Home in 1930: St Louis, St Louis (Independent City), Missouri Age: 34 Estimated Birth Year: abt 1896 Birthplace: Missouri Relation to Head of House: Head Spouse's Name: Nadine Pratt Race: White Nadine Pratt 24 Emmet Pratt 4; 1985 Emmett Ray Davison Service Info.: SGT US MARINE CORPS WORLD WAR II, KOREA Birth Date: 10 Jan 1926 Death Date: 6 Dec 1985 Service Start Date: 26 Oct 1950 Interment Date: 17 Dec 1985 Cemetery: Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery Cemetery Address: 2900 Sheridan Road St. Louis, MO 63125 Buried At: Section K Site 92; 1985 Emmett Davison SSN: 499-12-9682 Born: 10 Jan 1926 Last Benefit: 63031 Florissant, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States of America Died: Dec 1985 State (Year) SSN issued: Missouri (Before 1951);

HISAW: Newspaper Obituary and Death Notice Chicago Tribune (IL) - December 5, 2001 Deceased Name: HISAW Ruth Hisaw, nee Davison, of Des Plaines, formerly of Titusville, FL, beloved wife of James; dear mother of J. Richard (Patricia) Hisaw and Judy (Jim) Poskozim; loving grandmother of Jason, Amanda, Clint and Richard; fond sister of Talmadge Sapp and the late Emmett Davison. Visitation and funeral service Friday in St. Louis. Interment Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Info 847-824-5155. Edition: North Sports Final Page: 8 Copyright (c) 2001, Chicago Tribune Company. All rights reserved.;

1930 Talmadge G Davidson Home in 1930: Breton, Washington, Missouri Age: 10 Estimated Birth Year: abt 1920 Birthplace: Missouri Relation to Head of House: Niece Race: White Winfield C Skaggs 54 Mary C Skaggs 44 Hazel M Skaggs 10 Talmadge G Davidson 10 Ruth C Davidson 7;

I know nothing abt this Emmett Ray Davison's parents. I have not found him in a census, nor WW I draft card.

Barbara in Georgia genengolf@aol.com May God Continue to Bless America!

Email 8 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Thank you for the names of the pts of Nadine. Just wish I could find her with her father in the 1910 census. I placed this on RootsWeb WorldConnect Project many years ago. Ancestry World Tree Project: Cain and Skaggs http://awt.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi? op=GET&db=cainskaggs&id=I887> Barbara in Georgia genengolf@aol.com May God Continue to Bless America!

Email 8 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Where did you find Emmett Ray Davidson/Davison in the census? in the WW I draft records?

Hisaw, James C.: Newspaper Obituary and Death Notice St. Louis Post-Dispatch (MO) - July 7, 2003

Deceased Name: Hisaw, James C. HISAW, JAMES C., Tues., July 1, 2003; beloved husband of the late Ruth Hisaw (nee Davison); Loving father of J. Richard (Patricia) Hisaw and Judy (Jim) Poskozim; dear grandfather of Jason, Amanda, Clint (Karen Ray) and Richard; dear brother of Tuck, Hilda, Viva, Henry, Harvey, the late Lucille, Gilbert, Juanita and Geneva; dear son of the late Henry and Moselle Hisaw; our dear brother-in-law, uncle, great-uncle, cousin and friend. Mr. Hisaw was a U.S. AirForce Veteran of WWII, Korea and Viet Nam retiring after 31 years of service. Funeral from WHITE-MULLEN CHAPEL, 118 N. Florissant Rd., Ferguson, Fri. 12:30 p.m. Interment with full military honors 2:30 p.m. Friday at National Cemetery J.B. VISITATION 9:30 AM -12:30 PM FRIDAY ONLY. Edition: FIVE STAR LIFT Copyright, 2003, St. Louis Post-Dispatch;

HISAW, JAMES C.: Newspaper Obituary and Death Notice

Chicago Tribune (IL) - July 6, 2003

Deceased Name: HISAW, JAMES C.

James C. Hisaw, 81, of Des Plaines, formerly of Geneva, FL, beloved husband for 59 years of late Ruth Hisaw, nee Davison; loving father of J. Richard (Patricia) Hisaw and Judy (James) Poskozim; devoted grandfather of Jason Hisaw, Amanda Hisaw, Clint (fiancee Karen Ray) Poskozim and Richard Poskozim; fond brother of Tuck, Hilda, Viva, Henry, Harvey and late Gilbert, Lucille, Juanita and Geneva; survived by many nieces and nephews. Served in the U.S. Air Force for 31 years. Visitation Tuesday 3 to 9 p.m. at Oehler Funeral Home, 555 Lee St., Des Plaines. Interment Friday, July 11, in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County, MO. Info. 847-824-5155. Edition: Chicago Final Page: 7 Copyright (c) 2003, Chicago Tribune Company. All rights reserved.;

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Email 9 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, Check ancestry.com again for Emmett's ancestors, a miracle happened yesterday and I will be sending you a letter I wrote about it. Enclosed is a C2G Profile on Nadine. I will send you one also on Emmett.

I realize you think he is Davison, but what happened yesterday has not set that to rest. His parents are Major F. & Nancy Elizabeth (**SMITH**) Davidson Cupples and I have updated ancestry.com with that information.

Up until yesterday I did not know anything about his parents and neither did anyone else on ancestry.com.

So, something extraordinary has happened for the benefit of his family. Floyd

Email 9 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, enclosed is Emmet Ray Davison WWI Draft Registration. As I previously mentioned look at the handwriting. World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Name:Emet Roy Davison, 218 Tennessee Street, Benis, Madison, Tennessee Birthplace: Henderson, Tennessee Birth Date:20 October 1893 Race:Caucasian (White) FHL Roll Number:1877380 Railroad Machinist helper for C & E J railroad, Mitchell, Illinois single Emmet died in Bemis, Jackson, Madison, Tennessee, United States on 28 January 1946. Floyd

Email 9 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

I had a note that I had this obit. However, I have been donating my old obits to various groups, found it this morning on the Franklin Co site. Ed Mackley is about to download thousands of

more local obits I gave him a few months back on his site. Talmadge Sapp of Bourbon, Missouri passed away Monday, January 6, 2003 at the age of 81 years.

Mrs. Sapp was born on July 4, 1921 at Rosebud, Illinois to Emmett and Nadine (Skaggs) Davidson. At the age of six she moved to the St. Louis area. For a time, she was a waitress at the Holiday Inn in St. Louis and later, when she made her home in Bourbon, Missouri she was employed at Proctor Products. She retired from there after twelve years of employment. She was known as a loving mother and friend and will be fondly remembered by all who knew her.

She is survived by two daughters, Ruth Ann Hoerath and husband, Herman of Bourbon, Sondra Jane Mooney of Hallsville, Missouri, 7 grandchildren, Robin, Lynnette, Sheila, Joe, Stacie, Tracie and April, 21 great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends. Along with her parents, Mrs. Sapp was preceded in death by a brother, Emmett R. Davidson and a sister Ruth Hisaw.

Funeral services were conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2003 from the Chapel of the Eaton Funeral Home in Sullivan with the Rev. Bill Hanshew officiating. Cremation with private interment followed.

Sullivan Independent ,8 of January 2003 Barbara in Georgia genengolf@aol.com May God Continue to Bless America!

Email 9 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

The children of Nadine seemingly used Davison, Her son has his military records/social security as Davison. My guess is her husband used both. Ray, 1894-1946, has an X in the middle of his signature, obviously wasn't able to read and fill in the required info on his WW 1 draft card, poor fellow. But is does read Davison.

Yes, I do believe some power beyond us compelled me to contact you about Nadine. I am busy trying to get

approximate birth dates for all the entries I have in my data base, VERY big job! Barbara in Georgia

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Do you think this is him???

U.S. National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938 Emit R Davison Birth Year: abt 1896 Keyed Birth Location: Tenn Admitted Year: 1930 Age at Admission: 34 State: Kansas County: Leavenworth City: Leavenworth Branch: Western Branch;

Emit R Davison Home in 1930: Delaware, Leavenworth, Kansas Age: 34 Estimated Birth Year: abt 1896 Birthplace: Tennessee Race: White Tn Tn md at 23(abt 1919) div;

I notice Davison was used on his death rec==

Emit Roy Davison </search/recordDetails/show?

uri=https://api.familysearch.org/records/pal:/MM9.1.r/M144-CWN/p1>

Tennessee, Death Records, 1914-1955

20 Oct 1894 — Chester County, Tenn.

death: 28 Jan 1946 — Memphis, Shelby, Tennessee

burial: Jackson, Tenn.

residence: 28 Jan 1946 — Bemis, Madison, Tenn. parents: Major Davison, Nancy Smith Davison Cupples

Tennessee, Death Records, 1914-1955 name: Emit Roy Davison event: Death event date: 28 Jan 1946 event place: Memphis, Shelby, Tennessee gender: Male marital status: Divorced race or color: White age: 51 birth date: 20 Oct 1894 birthplace: Chester County, Tenn. father: Major Davison father's birthplace: Tenn. mother: Nancy Smith Davison Cupples mother's birthplace: Tenn. occupation: Electrician street address: 218 Tennessee residence: Bemis, Madison, Tenn. burial place: Jackson, Tenn. additional relatives: X digital folder number: 4184908 volume/page/certificate number: cn 4010;

Barbara in Georgia genengolf@aol.com May God Continue to Bless America!

Email 10 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Hello all...this just happened to me yesterday. Thought you might find it interesting and uplifting. Floyd

(sent artilce "Something Strange in the Neighborhood")

Email 11 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, I will need some time to digest your last emails and to "update" my records with what you have sent me before I can formulate some conclusions for you. Also, I want to prepare a Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on Emmett but I have a lot of processing to do with the new found information. I will contact you when I have it prepared. Floyd

Email 11 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, ok, I read one of your emails and you have her parentage confused. Enclosed is a pedigree chart showing 5 generations for her. When I send you my C2G profiles you will see my documented "proof" because by now you know I try to validate everything. Floyd

Email 11 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, I have been able to look at some of the information you have been sending me on Emmet and have come to the conclusion, that most of my names, dates and places that Nadine had given me was not necessarily correct. First of all, she said his name was Emmett Ray Davidson. I see now some of his legal records call him Roy. Therefore, I am going to have to add Roy to his middle name in order to be able to "catch" other records when I search for information. Second, even though his relatives all spelled their names as Davidson, the frequent use of Davison has to be addressed and I have now added Davison to his last name of Davidson to catch all records pertaining to him. As I build his C2G profile, I will contact you to let you know what else I need. I will address his children later. Dad says they use to call Emmett Ray Davidson Jr....Junior when he lived around Bourbon. Floyd

Email 11 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Thanks for the chart, I had already fixed Nadine's Skaggs connection. I note one other surname in question. You have **Counce**, as listed on son John's death certificate. 1826 Nancy **Stearman** Marriage Date: 20 Oct 1826 Marriage County: Washington Spouse Name: Jeremiah Wilkerson; Thanks again, Barbara in Georgia genengolf@aol.comMay God Continue to Bless America!

Email 11 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara you did it again. You started talking about something that does not make sense. What chart? I sent you a Cradle to Grave profile C2G for Nadine which is far and above a chart. It shows a chronological history of an individual from birth to death, listing all major events that took place in a person's life including documentation validating the information. Second,

Nadine didn't have a son named John and who are the Stearmans and Wilkersons. I know nothing about a death certificate for a John or Counce.

Now down to something I have found. When you prepare a C2G Profile on an individual you must start with their parents so you can cover all the important events from the time of their birth until they get married and start their own family. This includes, sibling birth, family moves, deaths of parents and grandparents and so forth. In my preparation for a C2G for Emmett Ray or Roy Davidson or Davison I found the following information:

1910 Federal Census

Civil District 9, Chester, Tennessee, United States, page 196a, 19 April 1910, line 22, house 27, family 27

CUPLER, R.[Reuben] C.[Cloyd] head w m 57; Nancy C. wife w f 36; Lorader dau w f 11; Lorah H. dau w f 9; Aly N. dau w f 6; Rubin C. son w m 2; **SPATH**, E. R. step-son w m 15 [All born in Tennessee as was their parents except Reuben's mother born in North Carolina. They both have been married twice. They have been married for 12 years. Nancy says she has had 5 children born and 5 are living. Reuben is a farmer and is renting.]

Research Note

E. R. Spath is the above census is actually Emmett Ray or Roy Davidson, son of Major F. & Nancy Elizabeth (**SMITH**) Davidson. Why he was listed as a Spath one can only speculate. Maybe he was wanted by the law or was in trouble with local people but the giveaway here is that Reuben listed him as a step-son. Nancy had two boys in that age group; Elvis and Emmett Davidson. Elvis in the 1910 census is living with his grandparents but Emmett can not be located. In order for this boy to be a Spath would require that Nancy would have married a Spath. Checking the Tennessee marriages showed no Davidson-Spath marriage, therefore, this Spath boy fits the age of her son, Emmett. Also, in the above census Nancy says she has had 5 children born and 5 are living. These would be Elvis and Emmett Davidson, Lorada, Alley and Rubin Cupples, therefore accounting for all her known children. Therefore, E. R. Spath above **IS** Emmett Ray Davidson. Floyd

Email 11 July 2011 to Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Barbara, what you are talking about in the Pedigree Chart on Nadine not the C2G Profile. I forgot I even sent that to you. I apologize. Now concerning your questions. On John's death certificate they stated his mother's maiden name was COUNCE.

see: http://www.sos.mo.gov/images/archives/deathcerts/1913/1913_00019033.PDF> Either Counce was a previously married name or her maiden name. On the burial records it states the following:

Palmer Cemetery, Palmer, Harmony Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States WILKINSON, JOHN P. 14 FEB 1837 07 MAY 1913 S/O JEREMIAH & NANCY (STEARMAN) WILKINSON. H/O MARTHA ANN (CASH) 10 SEP 1857. CO. I 33RD MO. INF. CIVIL WAR. TWO STONES, ONE MILITARY W/SURNAME WILKERSON, THE OTHER COMBINED WITH MARTHA W/SURNAME WILKINSON. CIVIL WAR RECORDS HAVE SURNAME WILKINSON OVER-WRITTEN WITH WILKERSON

WILKINSON, MARTHA ANN (CASH) 13 FEB 1840 19 NOV 1905 D/O WILLIAM & MARY (PETTY) CASH. W/O JOHN P. WILKINSON 10 SEP 1857.

Someone needs to investigate her C2G Profile to see if she had been a Counce or a Stearman. Floyd

Email 11 July 2011 from Barbara Geisert genengolf@aol.com

Census entry reads Smith not Spath. Barbara

1910 Federal Census

Research Note

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Barbara, you are correct, the name is Smith, I see when I enlarged the census to 100%, that the tail of the P actually is the crossing of the T for the name Thomas on the next line merging with the m making it look like Spath. However, regardless of my miss-interpretation of the Smith name, I guess by your silence you have concluded the same that E.R. Smith is Nancy's son, Emmett Ray or Roy Davidson? Floyd

1910 Federal Census

Civil District 9, Chester, Tennessee, United States, page 196a, 19 April 1910, line 22, house 27, family 27

CUPLER, R.[Reuben] C.[Cloyd] head w m 57; Nancy C. wife w f 36; Lorader dau w f 11; Lorah [Dora] H. dau w f 9; Aly N. dau w f 6; Rubin C. son w m 2; **SMITH**, E. R. step-son w m 15

[All born in Tennessee as was their parents except Reuben's mother born in North Carolina. They both have been married twice. They have been married for 12 years. Nancy says she has had 5 children born and 5 are living. Reuben is a farmer and is renting.]

Research Note

E. R. Smith is the above census is actually Emmett Ray or Roy Davidson, son of Major F. & Nancy Elizabeth (**SMITH**) Davidson. Why he was listed as a Smith, using his mother's maiden name one can only speculate. Maybe he was wanted by the law or was in trouble with local people but the giveaway here is that his step-father; Reuben Cupples, listed him as a step-son. Nancy had two boys in that age group; Elvis and Emmett Davidson. Elvis in the 1910 census is living with his grandparents but Emmett can not be located. In order for this boy to be a Smith would require that Nancy would have married a Smith after he death of her first husband; Major F. Davidson. Checking the Tennessee marriages showed no Davidson-Smith marriage after 1895, the death of Major Davidson and 1898 the year she married Reuben Cupples. In fact, we can't even find on-line Major Davidson and Nancy Elizabeth (**SMITH**)'s

marriage, therefore, this Smith boy fits the age of her son, Emmett. Also, in the above census Nancy says she has had 5 children born and 5 are living. These would be Elvis and Emmett Davidson, Lorada, Alley and Rubin Cupples, therefore accounting for all her known children. E. R. Smith above IS Emmett Ray Davidson.

4. Albert "Al" Paris Pratt (Henry Winslow "Win" 1) was born on 28 June 1897 in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, died on 11 August 1936 in Saint Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States at age 39, and was buried on 12 August 1936 in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Albert "Al" Paris Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2013

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.



Albert "Al" Paris Pratt

1897 Birthblock for Albert "Al" Paris Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Albert "Al" Paris Pratt was born in Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 28 June 1897.

Date from 1900 census states he was born June 1897 in Missouri.

Date from 1910 census states he was born 1897 in Missouri.

Date from the WW1 Draft Registration states his birth as 28 Feb 1897 in Missouri.

Date from 1920 census states he was born

Date from 1930 census states he was born

Date from death certificate states he was born 28 Feb 1897 in Missouri.

[Mary (SHEPARD) Pratt; his wife is informant and gave the above date on death certificate. Laura his mother gives his birth as June 1897 in the 1900 census. Therefore, I would be inclined to feel his mother knew when her 3 year old child was born, his birth date was 28 June 1897.]

Name

Albert Paris Pratt, named after his uncle; Reverand Albert Paris Missey. Paris name used from Missey family homeland of Paris, France.

1899 Childbirth of brother: Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt was born 4 July 1899 at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States.

1900 Federal Census age 3

Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 8b, 15 June 1900, line 65, dwelling 131, family 135

PRATT, Henry W. 2 m born September 1871 age 28; Laura wife w f born February 1876 age 24; Lum son w m born December 1893 age 6; Jessie son w m born November 1894 age 5; Albert son w m born June 1897 age 3; Virgile son w m born July 1899 age 10mos

[All born in Missouri as were their parents except Henry's father was born in Tennessee. Living next door to David & Fannie (**PRATT**) Campbell, Henry's sister. Laura says they have been married 7 years and she has had 4 children and 4 are living.]

1900-1902 Family Move

From Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1902 Childbirth of brother; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt was born 3 January 1902 in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1904 Childbirth of sister; Ruth Jane (PRATT)

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) was born 8 August 1904 in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1904-1907 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1907 Childbirth of sister; Mary Senter (PRATT)

Mary Senter or Center (**PRATT**) was born 12 June 1907 at Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1910 Federal Census age 13

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242, family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; Jessie L. son w m 15; Albert P. son w m 13; Virgil R. son w m 9; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. This is their first marriage and they have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single. Living a few doors down from John & Susan (WEST) Studdard family. Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey, Laura's father. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and son-in-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C. F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

1911 Grandfather in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section: *C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.*

1911 Childbirth of brother; Orville Hayes Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt was born 17 December 1911 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1912 Death of Grandfather; Alxander R. "Alex" Pratt

Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1912.

[1] Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died either the early part of 1912 (Jan-Mar) or the latter (Oct-Dec) according to his grandson, Fred Callahan. The roads were icy and they could not take his body back to Sullivan so they buried him the Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. He died at his daughter's residence Thomas Livey & Polina (PRATT) Callahan's home near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

[2] Date on metal plate at gravesite states 1831-1912 from gravesite marker at Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1914 Death of father; Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt

Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt died near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 March 1914.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #12055 As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Winslow Pratt March 24, 1914 Crawford 12055 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

"Winslow Pratt white married male born 6 September 1868 in Missouri to Alexander Pratt born in Missouri and Mary Kimberlin born Missouri. Winslow is a farmer. James P. Dunnigan M.D. was attending physician from 1 February 1914 to 24 March 1914 and Winslow died of ureaiei and chronic intestinal mephitis. He died at 9:30am on 24 March 1914 at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States and was buried on 26 March 1914 at Crawford County, Missouri. The informant was Lum Missey, Bourbon, Missouri."

[Urea: A nitrogen-containing substance normally cleared from the blood by the kidney into the urine. Diseases that compromise the function of the kidney often lead to increased blood levels of urea, as measured by the blood urea nitrogen test. Mephitic or carbon dioxide poisoning. - mephitic, mephitical, adj. It appears Winslow ate something at Christmas and it poisoned him.]

[2] Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States headstone...Pratt, Winslow 6 September 1868- 24 March 1914 headstone...Pratt, Laura M. 20 July 1874- 17 April 1938

[Many Pratt relatives are buried in this cemetery including my brother; Larry Winslow Pratt.]

1918 World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name: Albert Paris Pratt, Sullivan, Missouri Birthplace: Sullivan, Missouri Birth Date: 28

February 1897 Roll:1683163 DraftBoard:0 Nearest relative: Laura Pratt, Katwassa, Missouri

Date: 5 June 1918

Albert P Pratt was in the Army in WW1. Mo. PFC WWI

Soldiers' Records: War of 1812 - World War I

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Search Details

ntbl PRATT, ALBERT PARIS 4,265,431 Wntbl (Surname) (Christian name) (Army serial number) (Race)ntbl Residence:ntbl RFD 1 CATAWISSA, MOntbl (Street and house number) (Town or City) (County) (State)ntbl *Inducted at: STEELVILLE on 8/26/1918ntbl Place of birth: SULLIVAN, MO Age or date of birth: 28FEB1897ntbl Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers: CO C 305 BN TANK C TO DISCHARGEntbl Grades, with date of appointment: PVT12/19ntbl Engagements: ntbl Wounds or other injuries received in action: ntbl Served overseas from † To † from † To † ntbl Honorably discharged on demobilization Yntbl In view of occupation he was, on date of discharge, reported N per cent disabled.ntbl Remarks:ntbl Form No. 724-1, A.G.O. *Strike out words not applicable. †Dates of departure from and arrival in the U.S.

1920 Federal Census age 23???

10th Street, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States, page 278a, 10 January 1920, house 3225, dwelling 114, family 146 [must be a rooming house Al is with several roomers in the building]

PRATT, Al roomer w m 27 single born Vermont?? fa: NY mo NY traffic clerk mail order house

[This I'm sure is our AI, don't know why he gave false information]

1926 Marriage of Albert "Al" Paris Pratt and Mary (SHEPARD)

[1] Franklin County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "M", Page 514:

Albert Pratt of Bourbon in the County of Crawford, Missouri who is over the age of 21 years and Mary Shepard of Sullivan in the County of Franklin, Missouri who is under the age of 21 years were married on 3 April 1926 in Union, MO by D. W. Bried JP of Union Township. J.H. Shepard, father of Mary Shepard has given his assent to the said marriage.

1930 Federal Census age 33

can not locate

Occupation

Mining Foreman.

1930-1935 Family Move

Albert moved to Califonia.

1930-1935 Family Move

From California to Kansas City, MO.

Note

Dad said that Albert P. Pratt came to visit his mom and dad when he was 5/6 years old

(1932-1933). Albert was driving a brand new Excelsor Convertable Automobile and had lots of money. That's all he remembers. The Excelsior-Mascot was a German manufactured in Cologne-Nippes from 1911 until 1922. Only a few, with two- and four-cylinder proprietary engines of 8 hp to 18 hp, were produced.-Floyd Thomas Pratt

1936 Death of Albert "Al" Paris Pratt

Albert "Al" Paris Pratt died in Saint Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States on 11 August 1936.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, 1936, File #30925. Albert Paris Pratt white married male born 28 February 1897 in Missouri to Winslow Pratt who was born (no record) and Laura Missie who was born (no record). Albert was a mining foreman and died on 11 August 1936 at St. Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri. His normal residence was 2406 Drury, Kansas City, Missouri. The informant was his wife, Mrs. Mary Pratt, 2406 Drury, Kansas City, Mo. Burial was 12 August 1936 at Bourbon, Missouri.

1936 U.S., Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925-1963

Name: Albert Paris Pratt Birth Date: 28 Feb 1897 Death Date: 11 Aug 1936 Cemetery: Harrison Cemetery Cemetery Location: Bourbon, Missouri

1936 Burial of Albert "Al" Paris Pratt

Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States Pratt, Albert Paris Feb 28, 1897- Aug 11, 1936 Mo. PFC WWI (Buried next to parents.)

Find A Grave Memorial# 63327383

Albert Paris "Al" Pratt Birth: Feb. 28, 1897 Washington County Missouri, USA Death: Aug. 11, 1936 Kansas City Jackson County Missouri, USAntbl Son of Henry Winslow Pratt (1869 -1914) & Mary Laura Magdalene (Missey) Pratt (1874 - 1938). Some information extracted from Missouri Death Cert #30925 Albert "Al" Paris Pratt son of Henry Pratt & Mary Missey Pratt Albert "Al" Paris Pratt was born in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 28 June 1897. Albert Paris Pratt was named after his uncle; Rev Albert Paris Missey. Paris name used from Missey family homeland of Paris, France. 1900-1902 Family Move From Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. 1904-1907 Family Move From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. 1918 World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Name: Albert Paris Pratt, Sullivan, Missouri Birthplace: Sullivan, Missouri Birth Date: 28 February 1897 Roll:1683163 DraftBoard:0 Nearest relative: Laura Pratt, Katwassa, Missouri Date: 5 June 1918 Albert P Pratt was in the Army in WW1. Mo. PFC WWI 1926 Marriage of Albert "Al" Paris Pratt and Mary (SHEPARD) Franklin County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "M", Page 514: Albert Pratt of Bourbon in the County of Crawford, Missouri who is over the age of 21 years and Mary Shepard of Sullivan in the County of Franklin, Missouri who is under the age of 21 years were married on 3 April 1926 in Union, MO by D. W. Bried JP of Union Township. J.H. Shepard, father of Mary Shepard has given his assent to the said marriage. Occupation Mining Foreman. 1930-1935 Family Move Albert moved to Califonia. 1930-1935 Family Move From California to Kansas City, MO. 1936 Death of Albert "Al" Paris Pratt Albert "Al" Paris Pratt died in Saint Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States on 11 August 1936. Missouri Death Certificate #30925. Albert Paris Pratt white married male born

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Research Note

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Email posted to PL Greenlee on 26 December 2012

PI Greenlee, you have messed around with my Cradle To Grave Profile once again on Find A Grave Memorial# 63327383. When I submitted these records they were not open for censorship or modification by ameteurs like yourself. Because of your actions, you have made me an enemy and when we meet across the veil you will have to answer to me for you interference. This work was commissioned by Heavenly Father and interferring with the data and details is prohibited. I have spent 38 years perfecting my research material and you are such a coward that you won't even respond to my emails and apologize or even explain your actions. Taking someone else's work and altering the content is not permissable without written permission and since the content belongs to the original author, not FAG, not the manager of the gravesite, you are legally liable. I have requested find-a-grave to remove my bio material from your gravesites but they are enept and seem to fail in responding to complaints. Because of your interferrence with my hard earned work and FAG's lack of response to my complaints, for these reasons I have withdrawn my fellowship from FAG and will no longer help those who need assistance with family members. You are the ONLY person in all the thousands of submissions I have made to FAG to alter, change and delete material on any of my submissions. Remember me, for WE WILL MEET in the next life and I am looking forward to confronting you face to face. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

Albert married **Mary (SHEPARD),** daughter of **James Harvey Shepard** and **Edna Iola (COLE),** on 3 April 1926 in Union, Union Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States. Mary was born in 1911 in Central Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States and died after 1936.

1911 Birthblock of Mary (SHEPHERD) daughter of James Harvey and Edna lola (COLE) Shepherd

Mary (SHEPHERD) was born in

Date from 1920 census states she was born 1911 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states she was born

Date from 1940 census states she was born



Mary (SHEPARD)
Pratt

1920 Federal Census age 9

Central Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States, page 147a, 30 and 31 March 1920, line 1, house 149, family 153

SHEPHERD, J.[James] H.[Harvey] head w m 58; Edna wife w f 40; Shad son w m 14; Don son

w m 15; Mary dau w f 9; Benjamin son w m 6; **PARK**, John Nephew w m 33 [James and John were born in Missouri as were their parents, Edna was born in Illinois as were her parents, the rest were born in Missouri as was their father, their mother was born in Illinois. James is a farmer and is renting. John is a store manager.]

1926 Marriage of Albert "Al" Paris Pratt and Mary (SHEPARD)

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1930 Federal Census age 33

can not locate

Research Note

This person is quite a delema. She should be with Albert in the 1930 census since they were married in 1926. But I can't find him or her. Albert died at an early age (39) in 1936. So we know where she was in 1936 in Kansas City, MO. The only other piece of information we have in that she was under the age of 21 in 1926 and her father J. H. Shepard gave his consent to the marriage so we know she was in Sullivan, Franklin Co., MO in 1926. Dad said they moved to California and then back to Missouri. Also, Albert had a brand new Excelsior convertible automobile when he came to visit Lum & Rue when dad was 5 or 6 years old. That would be 1933 or 1934.

<u>Occupation</u>

Mining Foreman.

1930-1935 Family Move

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1930-1935 Family Move

From California to Kansas City, MO.

Note

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5. Virgil Ranson Pratt (Henry Winslow "Win" 1) was born on 4 July 1899 in Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, died on 21 January 1971 in Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States at age 71, and was buried on 24 January 1971 in Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.



<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Virgil Ranson Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C.,</u> M.A.G.I. 2013

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1899 Birthblock for Virgil Ranson Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt was born 4 July 1899 at Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States.

Date from the 1900 census states he was born July 1899 in Missouri.

Date from the 1910 census states he was born 1901 in Missouri.

Date from the WWI draft registration states he was born 4 July 1899.

Date from the 1920 census states he was born 1903 in Missouri.

Date from the 1930 census states he was born 1900 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states he was born 1900 in Missouri.

Date on the death certificate states he was born 4 July 1899.

[Laura (**MISSEY**) Pratt, his mother, gives birth date of July 1899 in the 1900 census, with Virgil being 10 months old. The census was taken on 15 June 1900, ten months back would be August 1899. Therefore, I believe he was born 4 July 1899.-Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1900 Federal Census age 10 months

Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 8b, 15 June 1900, line 65, dwelling 131, family 135,

PRATT, Henry W. 2 m born September 1871 age 28; Laura wife w f born February 1876 age 24; Lum son w m born December 1893 age 6; Jessie son w m born November 1894 age 5; Albert son w m born June 1897 age 3; <u>Virgile son w m born July 1899 age 10mos</u>
[All born in Missouri as were their parents except Henry's father was born in Tennessee. Living next door to David & Fannie (**PRATT**) Campbell, Henry's sister. Laura says they have been married 7 years and she has had 4 children and 4 are living.]

1900-1902 Family Move

From Hamilton Hollow, Johnson Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1902 Childbirth of brother; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt was born 3 January 1902 in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1904 Childbirth of sister; Ruth Jane (PRATT)

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) was born 8 August 1904 in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1904-1907 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1907 Childbirth of sister; Mary Center (PRATT)

Mary Center (**PRATT**) was born 12 June 1907 at Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1910 Federal Census age 11

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242, family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; Jessie L. son w m 15; Albert P. son w m 13; <u>Virgil R. son w m 9</u>; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. This is their first marriage and they have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single. Living a few doors down from John & Susan (WEST) Studdard family. Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey, Laura's father. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and son-in-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C. F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section: *C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.*

1911 Childbirth of brother; Orville Hayes Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt was born 17 December 1911 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1912 Death of Grandfather; Alxander R. Pratt

[1] Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died either the early part of 1912 (Jan-Mar) or the latter (Oct-Dec) according to his grandson, Fred Callahan. The roads were icy and they could not take his body back to Sullivan so they buried him the Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. He died at his daughter's residence Thomas Livey & Polina (PRATT) Callahan's home near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

[2] Date on metal plate at gravesite states 1831-1912 from gravesite marker at Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1914 Death of Father; Henry Winslow Pratt

Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #12055 As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Winslow Pratt March 24, 1914 Crawford 12055 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

"Winslow Pratt white married male born 6 September 1868 in Missouri to Alexander Pratt born in Missouri and Mary Kimberlin born Missouri. Winslow is a farmer. James P. Dunnigan M.D. was attending physician from 1 February 1914 to 24 March 1914 and Winslow died of ureaiei and chronic intestinal mephitis. He died at 9:30am on 24 March 1914 at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States and was buried on 26 March 1914 at Crawford County, Missouri. The informant was Lum Missey, Bourbon, Missouri."

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1914 Burial of Henry Winslow Pratt

Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States Pratt, Winslow 6 September 1868- 24 March 1914

Drott Louro M 20 July 1974 17 April 1929

Pratt, Laura M. 20 July 1874- 17 April 1938

[Many Pratt relatives are buried in this cemetery including my brother; Larry Winslow Pratt, named after his great grandpa.]

1914 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 March 1914, Friday:

"Winslow Pratt of Crow's Creek died Wednesday, March 25. He had been sick since Christmas. He leaves a wife and 8 children."

1918 World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name:Virgel Ransom Pratt City:Patsy County:Crawford State:Missouri Birth Date:4 July 1899 Race:White Roll:1683163 DraftBoard:0 Date: 12 September 1918 Farming for self. Nearest relative: Laura Pratt, Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Research Note

Greaty Uncle Virgil never was in the military...too young.

1920 Federal Census age 21

Walnut Street, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 166a, 5 January 1920, line 33, house 61, family 65

PRATT, Laura M. head w f 45; <u>Virgil R. son w m 20</u>; Arthur H. son w m 17; Arville J. son w m 8

[All born in Missouri as was their parents ecept Laura says her mother was born in England. Laura is a widow and renting this house and she and her sons could read and write. Virgil and Arthur worked in the coal mines as miners. They were living next door to Alfred Webster & Mary Eva (GINTZ) Barton and a few doors down from James Millard Sr. & his 2nd wife; Mary Louvincy Emily (KING) Johnson family.]

1926 Marriage of Virgil Ranson Pratt and Eula Viola (RICHARDSON)

Crawford County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "J", page 301:

Virgil Pratt and Eula Richardson were married on 27 February 1926 in Steelville, Crawford County, Missouri.

1926 Family Move

From Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. After there marriage, they lived in Bourbon.

1927 Childbirth of daughter; Rosalie Ruth (PRATT)

Rosalie Ruth (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 2 January 1927.

1927-1928 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

1928 Childbirth of daughter: Thelma Dorothy (PRATT)

Thelma Dorothy (**PRATT**) was born in Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 25 February 1928.

1928-1930 Family Move

From Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States to Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1930 Federal Census age 31

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 181a, 18 April 1930, line 90, house 141, family 141,

PRATT, Virgil head w m 30; Eula wife w f 20; Rosalie dau w f 3.9mos; Thelma dau w f 2?:

[All born in Missouri including parents. Virgil & Eula are married. Virgil's first marriage at age 26, Eula's first marriage at age 16. Virgil is a laborer and does odd jobs. They are renting.]

1931 Childbirth of daughter; Mary Jessie (PRATT)

Mary Jessie (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 3 September 1931.

1935 Childbirth of son; Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt

Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 June 1935.

1938 Death of mother; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of son; Donald Virgil Pratt

Donald Virgil Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 June 1939.

1939-1940 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 41

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 88a, 24 May 1940, line 24, house 195

PRATT, Virgil R. head w m 40; Eula V. wife w f 30; Rosalie R. dau w f 13; Thelma D. dau w f 12; Mary J. dau w f 8; Curtis A. son w m 4; Donald V. son w m 10months [All born in Missouri. Virgil is a laborer in WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1945 Childbirth of son; Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt

Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 April 1945.

1952 Childbirth of daughter; Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT)

Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (**PRATT**) was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 8 January 1952.

1967 Death of father-in-law; William Eli "Pete" Richardson

William Eli "Pete" Richardson died in Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 February 1967.

Occupation

Truck driver.

1971 Death of Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt died at Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 January 1971.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics,1971, File #71-0000894. Virgil R. Pratt white male born 3 July 1899 in Missouri to Winslow Pratt and Laura Missey. He died at Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 January 1971. His usual residence as Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri. Virgil is a truck driver by trade and married to Eula Richardson. His burial was on 24 January 1971 at the Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri. The informant was Eula Pratt, his wife.

1971 Burial of Virgil Ranson Pratt

Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States Pratt, Virgil R. 4 July 1899-21 January 1971
Pratt, Eula V. 21 November 1909-4 May 1990

Social Security Death Index

Name:Virgil Pratt SSN:499-03-2061 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:4 Jul 1899 Died:Jan 1971 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

Comment

I personally knew Great Uncle Virgil, he was tall, at least six feet and average build. He had a medium complexion, and a very wrinkled face. I remember him because of his sense of humor.

I can remember he laughed a great deal and he enjoyed being around his family. He was chopping wood when he was 10 years old and a wood chip struck him in the eye and eventually he lost vision in that eye. As told by daughter...Mary Jessie (**PRATT**) Ivie Dye. -Floyd Thomas Pratt

Virgil married **Eula Viola (RICHARDSON)**, daughter of **William Eli "Pete" Richardson** and **Jessie (COFFMAN)**, on 27 February 1926 in Steelville, Meramec Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States. Eula was born on 21 November 1909 in Cherry Valley, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, died on 4 May 1990 in Rolla Manor Care Center, Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States at age 80, and was buried on 7 May 1990 in Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) by Floyd Thomas Pratt</u> <u>F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2012</u>

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1909 Birthblock of Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) daughter of William Eli "Pete" & Jessie (COFFMAN) Richardson

Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) was born in Cherry Valley, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 November 1909.

Date from 1910 census states she was born in 1909 in Missouri.

Date from 1920 census states she was born in 1911 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states she was born in 1910 in Missouri.

Date from 1940 census states she was born in 1910 in Missouri.

Date from death certificate states she was born 21 November 1909 at Patsy, Missouri. She personally told to me she was born 21 November 1909 at Cherry Valley, Crawford, Missouri.

[The 1910 census states she was born 6 months before the census taker came on May 2, 1910. This would put her birth date at 21 November 1909. So, this is the correct date .-Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1910 Federal Census age 6months

Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 44b, 2 May 1910, line 65, house 228, family 240

RICHARDSON, William E. male 31; Jessie wife 20; Arvil son 2; <u>Ula dau 6mos</u> [All born in Missouri including parents. William & Jessie have been married 3 years and this is their first marriage. Jessie says she has had 2 children born and 2 are living. William is an iron miner. They are renting.]

1911 Childbirth of brother; Curtis Courtney Richardson

Curtis Courtney Richardson was born in Cherry Valley, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 16 October 1911.

1914 Childbirth of brother; Earl Jefferies Richardson

Earl Jefferies Richardson was born in Cherry Valley, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 18 July 1914.

1914 Childbirth of sister; Elvie (RICHARDSON)

Elvie (**RICHARDSON**) was born in Cherry Valley, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1914.

1916 Childbirth of Baby Richardson

Baby Richardson died at Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1916. [My great aunt Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt gave me the year 1916 as the baby's birth and death. The mother died in March 1916 either giving birth or after. At this time it is unknown when the baby died. FTP]

1916 Death of mother; Jessie (COFFMAN) Richardson

Jessie (**COFFMAN**) Richardson died at home at Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 11 March 1916.

1918 Father's World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name:William Ely Richardson of Patsy, Crawford, Missouri, United States Birth Date:20 March 1879 Race:White FHL Roll Number:1683163 DraftBoard:0 He is a miner for the Sligo Furnace Company, Patsy, Crawford, Missouri, United States Nearest relative: William Arvil Richardson of Patsy, Crawford, Missouri, United States Date: 12 September 1918

1920 Federal Census age 10

Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 183b, 9 January 1920, line 62, farm 52, family 52

RICHARDSON, William E. male 41; Orville W. son 11; <u>Eula V. dau 9</u>; Kertis C. son 8; Earl J. son 6

[All born in Missouri including parents. Living next to brothers and father. William is the manager of the farm which he owns.]

1926 Marriage of Virgil Ranson Pratt and Eula Viola (RICHARDSON)

[1] Crawford County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "J", page 301:

Virgil Pratt and Eula Richardson were married on 27 February 1926 in Steelville, Crawford County, Missouri.

1926 Family Move

From Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. After there marriage, they lived in Bourbon.

1927 Childbirth of daughter; Rosalie Ruth (PRATT)

Rosalie Ruth (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 2 January 1927.

1927-1928 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

1928 Childbirth of daughter; Thelma Dorothy (PRATT)

Thelma Dorothy (**PRATT**) was born in Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 25 February 1928.

1928-1930 Family Move

From Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States to Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1930 Federal Census age 20

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 181a, 18 April 1930, line 90, house 141, family 141,

PRATT, Virgil head w m 30; <u>Eula wife w f 20</u>; Rosalie dau w f 3.9mos; Thelma dau w f 2?

[All born in Missouri including parents. Virgil & Eula are married. Virgil's first marriage at age 26, Eula's first marriage at age 16. Virgil is a laborer and does odd jobs. They are renting.]

1931 Childbirth of daughter; Mary Jessie (PRATT)

Mary Jessie (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 3 September 1931.

1935 Childbirth of son; Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt

Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 June 1935.

1939-1940 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 30

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 88a, 24 May 1940, line 24, house 195

PRATT, Virgil R. head w m 40; <u>Eula V. wife w f 30</u>; Rosalie R. dau w f 13; Thelma D. dau w f 12; Mary J. dau w f 8; Curtis A. son w m 4; Donald V. son w m 10months [All born in Missouri. Virgila is a laborer in WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1945 Childbirth of son; Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt

Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 April 1945.

1952 Childbirth of daughter; Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT)

Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (**PRATT**) was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 8 January 1952.

1967 Death of father; William Eli "Pete" Richardson

William Eli "Pete" Richardson died in Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 February 1967.

1971 Death of spouse; Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt died at Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 January 1971.

1990 Death of Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt died in Rolla Manor, Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 4 May 1990.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Certificate of Death, State File #124-90-010512.

Eual V. Pratt female born 21 November 1909 in Patsy, Missouri to William Eli Richardson and Jessie Coffman. Died 4 May 1990 at the Rolla Manor, Rolla, Phelps, Missouri, United States. A widowed homemaker her usual residence was 265 Walton, Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States. She was buried at the Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri on 7 May 1990. The informant her daughter; Mary J. Dye gives birthplace as Patsy, Mo. [Great Aunt Eula told me personally she was born at Cherry Valley, MO.]

1990 Burial of Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States Pratt, Virgil R. 4 July 1899-21 January 1971
Pratt, Eula V. 21 November 1909-4 May 1990

Social Security Death Index

Name:Eula V. Pratt SSN:493-20-5871 Last Residence:65583 Waynesville, Pulaski, Missouri, United States of America Born:21 Nov 1909 Died:4 May 1990 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

1990 Obituary of Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Eula Pratt

Eula V. Pratt, daughter of the late William Eli and Jessie Coffman Richardson was born November 21, 1909 in Patsy, Mo. and departed this life on May 4, 1990 at the Rolla Manor Care Center in Rolla, having attained the age of 80 years, five months and 13 days.

Eula was a lifelong resident of Bourbon. She was employed at Paramount Cap in Bourbon for 12 years, and was a member of the Slenderella Club.

She professed her faith in Christ, was baptized and a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Bourbon.

On February 27, 1926, she was united in marriage to Virgil Pratt who preceded her in death on January 21, 1971.

Surviving her are: three daughters, Thelma Rowland and husband David of Bourbon, Mary Dye and husband Dannie of Waynesville, Gay Slankard and husband, Leonard of Bourbon: three sons, Curtis Pratt and wife Wilma of Waynesville, Eugene Pratt and wife Norma of Perryville, 21 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren: other relatives and many friends.

Besides those previously mentioned she was preceded in death by a daughter, Rosalie Mayberry; three grandchildren; and three brothers, Orville, Curtis and Earl Richardson. Funeral Services were hel at 11am., Monday, May 7, 1990 from the First Assemby of God Church in Bourbon with Bro. Harold Harrison and Rev. Martin Ivie officiating. Interment was in the Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Hassebroek's Bourbon Chapel, Bourbon.

In Memoriam of Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

What a hard life it must have been to have lost your young bride at the tender age of 26...when Jessie (**COFFMAN**) Richardson died. It was a shock to the whole community. William suddenly found himself a widower raising 4 children. Orville was 8 years old, Eula was 7 years old and Curtis was 5 years old and Earl was 2 years old and when their mom died, they also lost their beloved mother.

When trying times befall upon a family like this, they are sustained by their faith and somehow endure. This endurance is a credit to the human character and gives hope to those of us who follow.

Eula grew up around her family, uncle & aunts, brothers and grandparents. As the only daughter in the house she learned self reliance very quickly having to take care of three brothers and her father. You would have to have a very loving spirit to be able to cope with all those boys.

This hard working, self reliant, independent woman appealed to the rough rugged Virgil Ranson Pratt in 1926 when they began courting. Eula was 16 years old and that tall lanky Pratt boy must have been handsome.

After a period of courtship, a union took place on 27 February 1926 and another strong, outstanding family took it's place in the Bourbon community.

My Great Aunt Eula, that I knew, in her latter years was mostly confined to a wheelchair. She was always happy to visit with her family at the annual Pratt Family Reunion held in Bourbon, Mo. held the second Sunday of September.

I remember she was very friendly and loving to all who took the time to visit her. Like all Pratt women, she was a great cook.

She took special interest in my family research and helped me with a great deal of information. She was a warehouse of knowledge about family and community history. After spending her whole married life in the Bourbon community, she knew everything that went on about the people.

At one family reunion I explained the reason for this research and was criticized by other family members. She told them "Hush, leave him alone", and quoted the biblical account of the Savior walking with his disciples, when they came upon other men not of their own faith teaching the gospel. The disciples criticized the men for teaching differently than what they taught, and the Savior told them to be quiet. He stated that if they are not against him then they are for him.

I was very moved by Great Aunt Eula's defense. I feel her support was from her understanding of this important work and I will always think of her with a warm loving feeling in my heart.

I wish I had spent more time with her concerning her life as a child growing up in Patsy and the Bourbon community. However, what always gets in the way of these interviews is time and responsibilities. Not enough time to take the time to get to know her better.

I miss her but will be seeing her soon.-Floyd Thomas Pratt

Rootsweb Information

ID: I630 Name: Eula V. RICHARDSON ¹ Sex: F Birth: 21 NOV 1909 ¹ in Patsy, MO ¹ Christening: First Assembly of God, Bourbon Death: 4 MAY 1990 ¹ in Bourbon, Crawford Co., MO ¹ Burial: 7 MAY 1990 ¹ Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Crawford Co., MO ¹ Change Date: 24 SEP 2002

Father: William Eli "Pete" RICHARDSON b: 20 MAR 1879 in Patsy, Crawford Co., Missouri

Mother: Jessie COFFMAN b: FEB 1889/1890 in Phelps Co., Missouri

Marriage 1 Virgil PRATT b: ABT 1900 in Missouri

Married: 27 FEB 1926 ¹ in Bourbon, Crawford Co., MO ¹

Children

Rosalie PRATT b: ABT 1927 in Bourbon, Crawford Co., MO Themla PRATT b: ABT 1928 in Bourbon, Crawford Co., MO

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Sources:

Name: Obituary for Eula E. Pratt; Crawford Co., MO

Children from this marriage were:

i. Rosalie Ruth (PRATT) was born on 2 January 1927 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 3 September 1983 in Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States at age 56, and was buried on 6 September 1983 in Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

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1927 Birthblock of Rosalie Ruth (PRATT) daughter of Virgil Ranson & Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Rosalie Ruth (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 2 January 1927.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born July 1926 in Missouri. (calculated)

Date from the 1940 census states she was born 1927 in Missouri.

Date from the U.S. Public Records Index. Volume 2 states she was born 2 Januray 1927.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born 2 January 1927.

Date from the obituary states she was born

1927-1928 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

1928 Childbirth of sister; Thelma Dorothy (PRATT)

Thelma Dorothy (**PRATT**) was born in Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 25 February 1928.

1928-1930 Family Move

From Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States to Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1930 Federal Census age 3yrs 9mos

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 181a, 18 April 1930, line 90, house 141, family 141,

PRATT, Virgil head w m 30; Eula wife w f 20; Rosalie dau w f 3yrs 9mos; Thelma dau w f 2?;

[All born in Missouri including parents. Virgil & Eula are married. Virgil's first marriage at age 26, Eula's first marriage at age 16. Virgil is a laborer and does odd jobs. They are renting.]

1931 Childbirth of sister; Mary Jessie (PRATT)

Mary Jessie (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 3 September 1931.

1932 Death of future father-in-law; Walter Stephens Mayberry

Walter Stephens Mayberry died in Luthern Hospital #1, 2639 Miami Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 20 October 1932.

1935 Childbirth of brother; Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt

Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 June 1935.

1938 Death of grandmother; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of brother; Donald Virgil Pratt

Donald Virgil Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 June 1939.

1939-1940 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 13

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 88a, 24 May 1940, line 24, house 195

PRATT, Virgil R. head w m 40; Eula V. wife w f 30; Rosalie R. dau w f 13; Thelma D. dau w f 12; Mary J. dau w f 8; Curtis A. son w m 4; Donald V. son w m 10months [All born in Missouri. Virgila is a laborer in WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1945 Childbirth of brother; Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt

Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United

States on 1 April 1945.

1946 Marriage of James "Jim" William Mayberry and Rosalie Ruth (PRATT)

Saint Charles, Missouri County Record Books " ", Page James "Jim" William Mayberry and Rosalie Ruth (**PRATT**) were married in Saaint Charles County, Missouri on 9 March 1946.

1952 Childbirth of sister; Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT)

Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (**PRATT**) was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 8 January 1952.

1967 Death of grandfather; William Eli "Pete" Richardson

William Eli "Pete" Richardson died in Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 February 1967.

1968 Death of mother-in-law; Ida Viola (DENNIS) Mayberry

Ida Viola (**DENNIS**) Mayberry died in Belleview, Iron Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States on 15 December 1968.

1971 Death of father; Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt died at Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 January 1971.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Rosalie A Mayberry Address:Crosstrails CT Lot City:Bourbon State:MO Zip Code:65441

1935-1993 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Rosalie R Mayberry Birth Date:2 January 1927 Address:PO Box 247 Citv:Bourbon State:MO Zip Code:65441-0247

1983 Death of Rosalie Ruth (PRATT) Mayberry

Rosalie Ruth (**PRATT**) Mayberry died in Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States on 3 September 1983. [1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Rosalie Mayberry SSN:497-20-9248 Born:2 January 1927 Died:Sep 1983 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri

1983 Burial of Rosalie Ruth (PRATT) Mayberry

Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Rosalie married James "Jim" William Mayberry, son of Walter Stephens "Steve" Mayberry and Ida Viola (DENNIS), on 9 March 1946 in Saint Charles, Saint Charles Township, Saint Charles, Missouri, United States. James was born on 3 April 1923 in Goodwater, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States, died on 1 September 2000 in Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States at age 77, and was buried on 6 September 2000 in Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

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1923 Birthblock of James "Jim" William Mayberry son of Walter Stephens "Steve" and Ida Viola (DENNIS) Mayberry

James "Jim" William Mayberry was born in Goodwater, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States on 3 April 1923.

Date from the 1930 census states he was born May 1923 in Missouri. [calculated]

Date from the 1940 census states he was born 1924 in Missouri.

Date from the WWII military involvement states he was born

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from a newspaper death notice states he was born

Date from the funeral home records states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born

Date from the SSDI states he was born 3 April 1923

Date from the obituary states he was born April 3, 1923 in Goodwater, Mo.

1924 Childbirth of brother; Victor Oran Mayberry

Victor Oran Mayberry was born in Goodwater, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States on 12 November 1924.

1929 Childbirth of brother; Stephen J. Mayberry (twin)

Stephen J. Mayberry was born in Goodwater, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States on 3 April 1929.

1929 Childbirth of sister; Alice Ruth (MAYBERRY) (twin)

Alice Ruth (MAYBERRY) was born in Goodwater, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States on 3 April 1929.

1930 Federal Census age 6yrs 11mos

Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States; page 248a, 9 April 1930, line 8; house 42; family 43 **MAYBERRY**, Walter S w m 42; Ida wife w f 37; Elwin L w m 15; Mildred E w f 14; Melvin A w m 12; Mary A w m 9yrs 4mos; <u>James W w m 6yrs 11mos</u>; Victor O w m 5yrs 2mos; Stephen w m 11mos; Alice R w f 11mos

[All born Missouri including parents except Walter's mother was born in Texas. Walter's 1st marriage was at age 26, Ida's 1st marriage at age 21. Walter is a farmer.]

1932 Death of father; Walter Stephens Mayberry

Walter Stephens Mayberry died in Luthern Hospital #1, 2639 Miami Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 20 October 1932.

1933 Childbirth of brother; Joy Luke Mayberry

Joy Luke Mayberry was born in Goodwater, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States on 12 June 1933.

1935 Residency at Goodwater Road, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 16

Goodwater Road, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States; page 62b, 18 April 1940, line 53, house 94

MAYBERRY, Ida head w m 48; <u>James W. son w m 16</u>; Victor O. son w m 15; Stephen son w m 10; Alice R. dau w f 10; Joy Luke son w m 6

[All born in Missouri. They own their home. Ida is a widow. They are farming aand James is a janitor at the public high school.]

1946 Militay Involvement

In 1946 he enlisted in the United States Army, and honorably served his country during the close of World War II.

1946 Marriage of James "Jim" William Mayberry and Rosalie Ruth (PRATT)

Saint Charles, Missouri County Record Books " ", Page

James "Jim" William Mayberry and Rosalie Ruth (**PRATT**) were married in Saint Charles County, Missouri on 9 March 1946.

1968 Death of mother; Ida Viola (DENNIS) Mayberry

Ida Viola (**DENNIS**) Mayberry died in Belleview, Iron Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States on 15 December 1968.

1983 Death of spouse; Rosalie Ruth (PRATT) Mayberry

Rosalie Ruth (**PRATT**) Mayberry died in Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States on 3 September 1983.

1988 Marriage of James "Jim" William Mayberry and Helen Louise (ISGRIGGS)

[1] Missouri Marriage Records, 1805-2002

Name: James William Mayberry Age: 65 Birth Date: abt 1923 Marriage Date: 7 Oct 1988 Marriage Location: Franklin, Missouri Marriage County: Crawford Spouse Name: Helen Louise Pennock Spouse Age: 64 Spouse Birth Date: abt 1924

2000 Death of James "Jim" William Mayberry

James "Jim" William Mayberry died at the Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States on 1 September 2000.

2000 Burial of James "Jim" William Mayberry

Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Social Security Death Index

Name: James W. Mayberry SSN:489-22-0981 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:3 Apr 1923 Died:1 Sep 2000 State (Year) SSN issued: Missouri (Before 1951)

2000 Obituary of James "Jim" William Mayberry

http://files.usgwarchives.net/mo/crawford/obits/09-14-00.txt

James W. Mayberry James W. Mayberry of Sullivan passed away on Friday, September 1, 2000 at the age of 77 years. Mr. Mayberry was born on April 3, 1923 in Goodwater, Mo. to the late Walter Steven and Ida Viola (Denis) Mayberry. After being raised in the Goodwater area, he moved to St. Louis as a young man. In 1946 he enlisted in the United States Army, and honorably served his country during the close of World War II. On March 3, 1946 he was united in marriage to Rosalie R. Pratt in St. Louis. Soon thereafter, Mr. Mayberry went to work as a union truck driver and continued in this field for over 38 years. He was last employed by Gordon Transport from 1960 through 1983. He moved to the Bourbon area in 1970. On September 3, 1983 his wife Rosalie preceded him in death. Five years later Mr. Mayberry remarried by taking Helen (Isgriggs) Pennock as his wife on October 9, 1988. He enjoyed square dancing, camping, traveling, and spending time with his family. He was known as an easy-going man with a great sense of humor who simply loved life and deeply loved people. Mr. Mayberry was a member of the Lions Club and also a retired member of Teamsters Local 600. Most importantly, he surrendered his life to Christ prior to his death. He is survived by his wife, Helen Mayberry of Sullivan; one son, Charles Mayberry and special friend, Beverly Bruggemann of Bourbon; one daughter, Melody Buehrle and husband, Mike of Wildwood, Mo.; three stepsons, Kenneth Lee Pennock and wife, Carol of Roseman, California, Michael Lee Pennock and wife, Pat of Bourbon, and Mark Gregory Pennock and wife, Leigh of Grand Rapids, Michigan; four stepdaughters, Georgia Buff and husband, Larry of Granite Shouls, Texas, Vera Ray and husband, Bill of St. Louis, Rhonda Armstrong and husband, Leroy of Bourbon, and Brenda Dotson and husband, Darrell of Sullivan; three brothers, Victory Mayberry and wife, Peggie of Rochelle, Illinois, Walter Steven Mayberry, Jr. and wife, Mary of Arnold, Mo., and Joy Luke Mayberry and wife, Ophelia of Stillman Valley, Illiniois; one sister, Mary Ann Wood and husband, Walter of Florissant, Mo.; three grandchildren, Natasha Joy Thurmond, Rosalie Ann Mayberry, and Brian James Buehrle; twenty step-grandchildren, forty-four great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. In addition to those already listed, Mr. Mayberry was preceded in death by two brothers, Elwin and Melvin Mayberry, and three grandchildren, Kevin and Keith Mayberry and Amanda Buehrle. Funeral services were conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, September 4, 2000 from the Chapel of the Eaton Funeral Home in Sullivan with Pastor Marvin Ivie officiating. Interment was in Hill Cemetery at Bourbon, Mo. If desired, memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society or to Missouri Baptist Medical Center I.C.U. of St. Louis in memory of Mr. James W. Mayberry.

17 F ii. Thelma Dorothy (PRATT) was born on 25 February 1928 in Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States, died on 25 June 2011 in Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States at age 83, and was buried on 29 June 2011 in Crow Cemetery, Boone Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States.

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1928 Birthblock of Thelma Dorothy (PRATT) daughter of Virgil Ranson & Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

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Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1928 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states she was born 1928 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from a newspaper death notice states she was born

Date from the funeral home records states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born 25 Feb 1928.

Date from the obituary states she was born February 25, 1928 in Crawford County, Missouri

1927-1928 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

1928-1930 Family Move

From Stanton, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States to Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1930 Federal Census age 2yrs

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 181a, 18 April 1930, line 90, house 141, family 141,

PRATT, Virgil head w m 30; Eula wife w f 20; Rosalie dau w f 3yrs 9mos; Thelma dau w f 2?:

[All born in Missouri including parents. Virgil & Eula are married. Virgil's first marriage at age 26, Eula's first marriage at age 16. Virgil is a laborer and does odd jobs. They are renting.]

1931 Childbirth of sister; Mary Jessie (PRATT)

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1935 Childbirth of brother; Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt

Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 June 1935.

1938 Death of grandmother; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of brother; Donald Virgil Pratt

Donald Virgil Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United

States on 13 June 1939.

1939-1940 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 12

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 88a, 24 May 1940, line 24, house 195

PRATT, Virgil R. head w m 40; Eula V. wife w f 30; Rosalie R. dau w f 13;

Thelma D. dau w f 12; Mary J. dau w f 8; Curtis A. son w m 4; Donald V. son w m 10months

[All born in Missouri. Virgila is a laborer in WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1945 Childbirth of brother; Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt

Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 April 1945.

1951 Marriage of David Andrew Rowland and Thelma Dorothy (PRATT)

Arkansas, County Marriages Index, 1837-1957

Name:David A Rowland Gender:Male Age:22 Birth Year:abt 1929

Residence:Leasburg, Crawford, Missourintbl Spouse's Name:Thelma Pratt Spouse's Gender:Female Spouse's Age:22 Spouse's Residence:Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri Marriage Date:20 Jan 1951 Marriage License Date:20 Jan 1951 Marriage County:Fulton Event Type:Marriage FHL Film Number:2210595

1953 Childbirth of son; Larry David Rowland

Larry David Rowland was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 27 August 1953.

1957 Childbirth of daughter; Connie Rose (ROWLAND)

Connie Rose (**ROWLAND**) was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 5 July 1957.

1967 Death of grandfather; William Eli "Pete" Richardson

William Eli "Pete" Richardson died in Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 February 1967.

1971 Death of father; Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt died at Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 January 1971.

1990 Death of mother; Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt died in Rolla Manor, Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 4 May 1990.

2008 Death of spouse; David Andrew Rowland

David Andrew Rowland died in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 30 March 2008.

2011 Death of Thelma Dorothy (PRATT) Rowland

Thelma Dorothy (**PRATT**) Rowland died at Missouri Baptist Medical Center, 3023 North Ballas Road, Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States on 25 June 2011. [1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Thelma D. Rowland Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri Born:25 Feb 1928 Died:25 Jun 2011 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

Research Note

On 26 June 2011, Dad called me and informed me that Thelma was staying in a nurcsing home in Rolla, Missouri and was being carried by a sling and fell out of the sling banging her head on the floor. They rushed her to a hospital in St. Louis but her head was swelling with blood and she died there.

2011 Burial of Thelma Dorothy (PRATT) Rowland

Crow Cemetery, Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

2011 Obituary for Thelma Dorothy (PRATT) Rowland

http://obitsforlife.com/obituary/361227/Rowland-Thelma.php

Thelma D. Rowland

Date of Birth: Saturday, February 25th, 1928 Date of Death: Saturday, June 25th, 2011

Funeral Home: Mizell Funeral Home - Cuba Missouri 904 W. Washington St., Cuba,

Missouri, United States

65453

2011 Obituary for Thelma Dorothy (PRATT) Rowland

Thelma D. Rowland of Cuba, Missouri was born to the union of Virgil R. and Eula "Viola" (Richardson) Pratt on February 25, 1928 in Crawford County, Missouri and left from this life on Saturday, June 25, 2011 at Missouri Baptist Medical Center in St. Louis, Missouri at the age of 83. Thelma was united in marriage to David Rowland on January 20, 1951 in Salem, Arkansas and to this union two children were born Larry and Connie. Thelma was a Librarian at the Bourbon Library for many years and was a member of the Slinderella's Group in Bourbon. She enjoyed reading, cooking and taking care of her family. Thelma is preceded in death by her parents Virgil R. and Eula "Viola" (Richardson) Pratt; husband David Rowland; one son Larry Rowland; one sister Rosalie Mayberry and other relatives and friends. Those who are left to treasure her memory and to continue her legacy are her daughter Connie and husband Michael Stephens of Leasburg, Missouri; two granddaughters Jennifer and husband John Lindsey of Columbia, Missouri, Sarah Stephens of Leasburg, Missouri; one greatgrandson John David Lindsey; three brothers Curtis and wife Tommy Pratt of Camdenton, Missouri, Don and wife Wilma Pratt of St. Robert, Missouri, Gene and wife Norma Pratt of Perryville, Missouri; two sisters Mary Dye of Waynesville, Missouri, Virginia Slankard of Bourbon, Missouri; brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and many friends. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 5-8 p.m. at the Mizell Funeral Home 904 W. Washington St. Cuba, Missouri. Funeral service will be held on Wednesday, June 29, 2011 11:00 a.m. at the Mizell Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Crow Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri. If desired, memorials would be appreciated to the Alzheimers Association. The Mizell Funeral Home of Cuba is Honored to be serving the Rowland family.

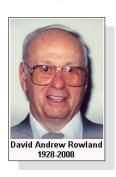
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<u>"Sons of Frontiersmen"</u> 1976 by Billie Louise Owens and Robert James Owens, pages 29-30

6 H b (6) (A) David Andrew Rowland

David Andrew was the first son of Will David and Jessie Isabell (Russell) Rowland born 10-10-1928 in Collinsville, Illinois. He married Thelma Dorothy Pratt on January 20, 1951 in Salem, Arkansas. She is the daughter of Virgie and Eula (Richardson) Pratt, born 2-25-1928. During the Korean War he was in the 74th Engineers. Now he is a machinist, precison tool and cutter grinder for McDonald Aircraft in St. Louis, Missouri. They live in Bourbon, Missouri. David Andrew was very helpful in taking the author to several local family cemeteries and family members. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge 69 in Sullivan, Missouri. The family is Baptist. Their children are Larry David and Connie Rose; (a) Larry David, b. 8-27-1953 in Rolla, Missouri is single. (b) Connie Rose, b. 7-5-1957 in Rolla, Mo., is a student at the Junior College at Union, Mo.

Thelma married **David Andrew Rowland**, son of **William "Will" David Rowland** and **Jessie Isabelle (RUSSELL)**, on 20 January 1951 in Salem, Benton Twp, Fulton, Arkansas, United States. David was born on 10 October 1928 in Collinsville, Collinsville Twp, Madison, Illinois, United States, died on 31 March 2008 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States at age 79, and was buried on 3 April 2008 in Crow Cemetery, Boone Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States.



<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for David Andrew Rowland by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C.,</u> M.A.G.I. 2013

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1928 Birthblock of David Andrew Rowland son of William "Will" David and Jessie Isabelle (RUSSELL) Rowland

David Andrew Rowland was born in Collinsville, Collinsville Twp, Madison, Illinois, United States on 10 October 1928.

Date from the 1930 census states he was born 1828 in Illinois.

Date from the 1940 census states he was born 1929 in Illinois.

Date from the WWII military involvement states he was born

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from a newspaper death notice states he was born

Date from the funeral home records states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born

Date from the SSDI states he was born 10 Oct 1928.

Date from the obituary states he was born October 10, 1928

Date from the book "Sons of Frontiersmen" states he was born 10-10-1928 in Collinsville, Illinois.

1930 Federal Census age 1yr 6mos

Canteen Twp, Saint Clair, Illinois, United States, page

ROWLAND, William head w m 34; Jessie wife w f 28; <u>David son w m 1yr 6mos</u>; Cleo I. dau w f 0

1935 Residency in Benton Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 11

Benton Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 6b,

ROWLAND, William D. head w m 45; Jessie wife w f 38; <u>David son w m 11</u>; Cleo dau w f 10; Vila dau w f 9; Betty Jean dau w f 7; Samuel son w m 4; Wilma dau w f 2; William J. son w m 1

1940's Military involvement

During the Korean War he was in the 74th Engineers.

1951 Marriage of David Andrew Rowland and Thelma Louise (PRATT)

Arkansas, County Marriages Index, 1837-1957

Name:David A Rowland Gender:Male Age:22 Birth Year:abt 1929 Residence:Leasburg, Crawford, Missourintbl Spouse's Name:Thelma Pratt Spouse's Gender:Female Spouse's Age:22 Spouse's Residence:Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri Marriage Date:20 Jan 1951 Marriage License Date:20 Jan 1951 Marriage County:Fulton Event Type:Marriage FHL Film Number:2210595

1953 Childbirth of son; Larry David Rowland

Larry David Rowland was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 27 August 1953.

1957 Childbirth of daughter; Connie Rose (ROWLAND)

Connie Rose (**ROWLAND**) was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 5 July 1957.

1967 Death of grandfather-in-law; William Eli "Pete" Richardson

William Eli "Pete" Richardson died in Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 February 1967.

1971 Death of father-in-law; Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt died at Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 January 1971.

1990 Death of mother-in-law; Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt died in Rolla Manor, Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 4 May 1990.

1991-1994 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name:David A Rowland Birth Date:10 Oct 1928 Address:432 S Hobby Hut Rd, Leasburg, MO, 65535-8195 (1994) [PO Box 94, Bourbon, MO, 65441-0094 (1991)]

2008 Death of David Andrew Rowland

David Andrew Rowland died in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 30 March 2008.

2008 Burial of David Andrew Rowland

Crow Cemetery, Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

Social Security Death Index

Name:David A. Rowland Last Residence:65535 Leasburg, Crawford, Missouri Born:10 Oct 1928 Died:30 Mar 2008 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

Obituary of David Andrew Rowland

Cuba Free Press Written by staff Tuesday, 01 April 2008 16:04

David Andrew Rowland born Wednesday, October 10, 1928 and passed away Sunday, March 30, 2008 at the age of 79 years, 5 months and 20 days. Visitation Wednesday, April 2, 2008 from 5-8 p.m. at the Britton Funeral Home, Cuba, Missouri. Funeral service Thursday, April 3, 2008 at 1 p.m. at the Britton Funeral Home, Cuba, Missouri. Interment in the Crow Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri. Last Updated on Wednesday, 23 April 2008 10:36

"Sons of Frontiersmen" 1976 by Billie Louise Owens and Robert James Owens, pages 29-30 6 H b (6) (A)

David Andrew Rowland

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18 F iii. **Mary Jessie (PRATT)** was born on 3 September 1931 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1931 Birthblock of Mary Jessie (PRATT) daughter of Virgil Ranson & Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Mary Jessie (**PRATT**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 3 September 1931.

maryd31@cablemo.net 1-573-774-2334

1935 Childbirth of brother; Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt

Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 June 1935.

1938 Death of grandmother: Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of brother; Donald Virgil Pratt

Donald Virgil Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 June 1939.

1939-1940 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 9

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 88a, 24 May 1940, line 24, house 195

PRATT, Virgil R. head w m 40; Eula V. wife w f 30; Rosalie R. dau w f 13; Thelma D. dau w f 12; Mary J. dau w f 8; Curtis A. son w m 4; Donald V. son w m 10months [All born in Missouri. Virgil is a laborer in WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1945 Childbirth of brother; Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt

Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 April 1945.

1949 Marriage of Calvin Mason Ivie and Mary Jessie (PRATT)

[1] Crawford County, Missouri Marriage Record Book "M", page 352

Calvin M. Ivie of Davisville and Mary Jesse Pratt of Bourbon were married on 2 July 1949 in Bourbon, Crawford Co., MO. Mother Eula Pratt gives consent. J.J. Ivie gives consent.

1950 Childbirth of son; Michael Mason Ivie

1952 Childbirth of sister; Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT)

Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (**PRATT**) was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 8 January 1952.

1967 Death of grandfather; William Eli "Pete" Richardson

William Eli "Pete" Richardson died in Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 February 1967.

1971 Death of father; Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt died at Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 January 1971.

1980 Divorce of Calvin Mason Ivie and Mary Jessie (PRATT) Ivie

Calvin Mason Ivie and Mary Jessie (**PRATT**) Ivie were divorced in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States on April 1980.

1986 Marriage of Dannie Loren Dye and Mary Jessie (PRATT) Ivie

Dannie Loren Dye and Mary Jessie (**PRATT**) Ivie were married in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States on 25 January 1986.

1994 Death of spouse; Dannie Loren Dye

Dannie Loren Dye died in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States in 1994.

2011 Death of ex-spouse; Calvin Mason Ivie

Calvin Mason Ivie died in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 1 October 2011.

Mary married **Calvin Mason Ivie**, son of **Rev. Jesse Jeferson Ivie** and **Rena Florence (FOWLER)**, on 2 July 1949 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States. Marriage status: 1st divorce for both. Calvin was born on 4 July 1930 in Steelville, Meramec Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 1 October 2011 in Rolla, Meramec Township, Phelps County, Missouri, United States at age 81, and was buried on 5 October 2011 in Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

2011 Death of Calvin Mason Ivie

Calvin Mason Ivie died in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 1 October 2011.

Find A Grave Memorial# 80765686

Calvin Mason Ivie Birth: Jul. 4, 1930 Death: Oct. 1, 2011 Calvin Mason Ivie formerly of Bourbon. Missouri was born July 4, 1930 to the union of Jesse and Rena (Nee: Fowler) Ivie at Steelville, Missouri and left from this life on Saturday, October 1, 2011 at Rolla, Missouri at the age of 81 years. Calvin's passion in life was writing, recording and playing music. He played music at the Sullivan Bowling Alley for years and everywhere else he ever lived or traveled through. He owned a music store in Sullivan and later in Phoenix, Arizona. The last several years he was a tour guide "Coyote Cal" in the Sonoran Desert of Arizona. He was the inventor of the "Papi System" which is used in photography. During his younger years he enjoyed playing golf. Calvin was a loving son, brother, brother-in-law, husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle, great uncle, cousin and friend. He will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him. Calvin is preceded in death by his parents Jesse and Rena Ivie, one daughter Tammy Ivie, second wife Judy Ivie, three brothers AB, JR and Marvin Ivie, one sister Hazel Hutson and other relatives and friends. Those who are left to treasure his memory and to continue his legacy are his four children Mike and Karen Ivie of Cuba. Terry and Shawn Ivie of Halfway, Missouri, Ken and Jackie Ivie of Garland, Texas and Beverly and John DeGraff of Granville. New York, brother Billy and Brenda lyie of St. Louis, twelve grandchildren. fifteen great grandchildren, former wife and best friend Mary Dye of Waynesville, Missouri, nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews and a host of other relatives and friends. Visitation will be Tuesday, October 4, 2011 from 5 till 8 p.m. at the Mizell Funeral Home, 904 W. Washington, Cuba, Missouri. Funeral service will be 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at the Mizell Funeral Home of Cuba with Pastor Barry Ivie officiating. Interment and prayers will follow at the Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Missouri. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hill Cemetery in Calvin's memory. The Mizell Funeral Home of Cuba is honored to be serving the Ivie family. Burial: Hill Cemetery Bourbon Crawford County Missouri, USA Created by: Richard Blunk Record added: Nov 20, 2011

My posting to Calvin's FAG 7 March 2013

Enough can't be said about Calvin Ivie's musical talent. I remember, as a small boy, hearing him play his electric guitar back in the 1950's and 60's. He must have made an impression upon me because I too became a professional musician in my early years, guitar and piano. I never got to "jam" with Calvin because I lived in the "big city" (St. Louis) and he lived in Bourbon or the surrounding area. But, Calvin was a highly skilled musician and always was fun to watch and listen to his riffs. When I cross over, I hope we get to jam together...if he isn't too busy. I am looking forward to it. Thanks cuz...Floyd Thomas Pratt first cousin once removed.

Mary next married **Dannie Loren Dye**, son of **Arthur Leviga Dye** and **Jeretta Wehmet (HUDGENS)**, on 25 January 1986 in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States. Dannie was born on 23 February 1938 in Hanna, Roubidoux Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States, died on 12 December 1994 in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States at age 56, and was buried in December 1994 in Fairview Cemetery, near Hanna, Roubidoux Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States.

<u>1938 Birthblock of Dannie Loren Dye son of Arthur and Jeretta Welmet (HUDGENS) Dye</u> Dannie Loren Dye was born in Hanna, Roubidoux Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States on 22 February 1938.

1935 Residency in Roubidoux Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census

Roubidoux Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States **DYE,** Arthur L. head w m 27; Jerretta W. wife w f 22; Dannie L. son w m 2; **STORIE**, William E. w m 52

Marriage of Dannie Loren Dye and Mildred (FOWLER)

1959 Marriage of Dannie Loren Dye and Mary Lee (McGUIRE)

1986 Marriage of Dannie Loren Dye and Mary Jessie (PRATT) Ivie

Dannie Loren Dye and Mary Jessie (**PRATT**) Ivie were married in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States on 25 January 1986.

1994 Death of spouse; Dannie Loren Dye

Dannie Loren Dye died in Waynesville, Tavern Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States on 12 December 1994.

1994 Burial of spouse; Dannie Loren Dye

Fairview Cemetery, near Hanna, Roubidoux Twp, Pulaski, Missouri, United States

Find A Grave Memorial# 70488211 Created by: Carol Kelley Record added: May 28, 2011 Dannie Loren Dye Birth: Feb. 23, 1938 Death: Dec. 12, 1994 Family links: Parents: Arthur L Dye (1911 - 1986) FAG#66147960 Jeretta Welmet Hudgens Dye (1917 - 1976) FAG#66147941 Spouses: Mildred Dye (1940 - 1985) FAG#66147908 Mary Lee McGuire Dye (1941 - 1970) FAG#66147923 Burial: Fairview Cemetery Pulaski County Missouri, USA

19 M iv. **Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt** was born on 8 June 1935 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1935 Birthblock of Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt son of Virgil Ranson & Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Curtis "Curt" Albert Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 June 1935.

1938 Death of grandmother; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of brother; Donald Virgil Pratt

Donald Virgil Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 June 1939.

1939-1940 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 5

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 88a, 24 May 1940, line 24, house 195

PRATT, Virgil R. head w m 40; Eula V. wife w f 30; Rosalie R. dau w f 13; Thelma D. dau w f 12; Mary J. dau w f 8; <u>Curtis A. son w m 4</u>; Donald V. son w m 10months [All born in Missouri. Virgil is a laborer in WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1945 Childbirth of brother; Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt

Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 April 1945.

1992, 1996 Curtis A Pratt in the U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

NAME: Curtis A Pratt BIRTH DATE: 8 Jun 1935 ADDRESS: 5 Oak Valley Dr # 5, Saint Peters, MO, 63376-3704 [406 Mid Trail Dr # C, Ballwin, MO, 63011-3775] [80 Hc 80 POB 710a, Camdenton, MO, 65020 (1996)] [POB 710a, Camdenton, MO, 65020 (1992)]

Curtis A Pratt in the U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

NAME: Curtis A Pratt BIRTH DATE: 8 Jun 1935 ADDRESS: Hc 80 Dauxvlle Dr, Camdenton, MO, 65020

Curtis married Tommy (MULLENS).

v. **Donald Virgil Pratt** was born on 13 June 1939 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 5 November 2013 in Fort Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital, 126 Missouri Avenue, Fort Leonard Wood, Pulaski, Missouri, United States at age 74, and was buried in November 2013 in Dunkard Cemetery aka Gospel Ridge Union Cemetery, Saint Robert, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States.

1939 Birthblock of Donald Virgil Pratt son of Virgil Ranson & Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Donald Virgil Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 June 1939.

1939-1940 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 10 months

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 88a, 24 May 1940, line 24, house 195

PRATT, Virgil R. head w m 40; Eula V. wife w f 30; Rosalie R. dau w f 13; Thelma D. dau w f 12; Mary J. dau w f 8; Curtis A. son w m 4; <u>Donald V. son w m 10months</u>

[All born in Missouri. Virgil is a laborer in WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1945 Childbirth of brother; Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt

Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 April 1945.

1960 Marriage of Donald Virgil Pratt and Wilma Laverne (GEORGE)

1994-1995 Donald V Pratt in the U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

NAME: Donald V Pratt BIRTH DATE: 13 Jun 1939 ADDRESS: 110 Zeigenbein Cir, Waynesville, MO, 65583 (1994) [RR 6 POB 109, Waynesville, MO, 65583 (1995)] [PO Box 973, Bourbon, MO, 65441-0973]

Donald V Pratt in the U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

NAME: Donald V Pratt BIRTH DATE: 13 Jun 1939 ADDRESS: Rt 6 Box 28, Waynesville, MO, 65583

2013 Death of Donald Virgil Pratt

Donald Virgil Pratt died in

[1] U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

NAME: Donald V Pratt BORN: 13 Jun 1939 DIED: 5 Nov 2013 STATE (YEAR) SSN ISSUED: Missouri (1954)

2013 Burial of Donald Virgil Pratt

Dunkard Cemetery aka Gospel Ridge Union Cemetery, Saint Robert, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States

2013 Obituary of Donald Virgil Pratt

http://www.tributes.com/show/Donald-Virgil-Pratt-96664870

Donald was born on June 13, 1939 and passed away on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. Donald was a resident of Dixon, Missouri at the time of his passing. He is survived by his wife Wilma. Visitation will be held from 9-11 a.m., on Friday, November 8, 2013, in the First Freewill Baptist Church, Waynesville, with funeral services following at 11 a.m. Interment will be in the Dunkard Cemetery, St. Robert.

Find A Grave Memorial# 119902930 Created by: booklover Record added: Nov 06, 2013

Donald Virgil Pratt Birth: Jun. 13, 1939 Death: Nov. 5, 2013 Burial: Dunkard Cemetery Saint Robert Pulaski County Missouri, USA

Donald married **Wilma Laverne (GEORGE)**, daughter of **Lytle L. George** and **Virda L. (SMITH)**, on 17 December 1960. Wilma was born on 25 January 1942 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

21 M vi. **Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt** was born on 1 April 1945 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1945 Birthblock of Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt son of Virgil Ranson & Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 April 1945.

1966 Marriage of Eugene "Gene" Lee Pratt and Joann B. (GARCIA)

Eugene L Pratt in the California, Marriage Index, 1960-1985

NAME: Eugene L Pratt AGE: 21 EST. BIRTH: abt 1945 SPOUSE NAME: Joann B Garcia SPOUSE AGE: 23

EST. SPOUSE BIRTH: abt 1943 DATE: 16 Sep 1966 LOCATION: Kings

1993 Eugene L Pratt in the U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

NAME: Eugene L Pratt BIRTH DATE: 1 Apr 1945 PHONE NUMBER: 732-5852 ADDRESS: 1311 Edgemont Blvd, Perryville, MO, 63775-2842 [19 Feltz St, Perryville, MO, 63775-2425 (1993)] [PO Box 94, Bourbon, MO, 65441-0094]

Eugene married **Joann B. (GARCIA)** on 16 September 1966 in Kings County, California, United States. Joann was born in 1943.

Eugene next married Norma (SCHOFIELD).

22 F vii. Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT) was born on 8 January 1952 in Rolla, Meramec Township, Phelps County, Missouri, United States.

1952 Birthblock of Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT) daughter of Virgil Ranson and Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (**PRATT**) was born in Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 8 January 1952.

1967 Death of grandfather; William Eli "Pete" Richardson

William Eli "Pete" Richardson died in Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 February 1967.

1971 Death of father; Virgil Ranson Pratt

Virgil Ranson Pratt died at Sullivan Community Hospital, Sullivan, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 January 1971.

1990 Death of mother; Eula Viola (RICHARDSON) Pratt

Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) Pratt died in Rolla Manor, Rolla, Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 4 May 1990.

Virginia married **Leonard Edward Slankard**, son of **Noah David Greenlee Slankard** and **Iona Marie (PATTERSON)**, on 30 June 1972 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States. Leonard was born on 8 January 1950 in Richwoods, Richwoods Township, Washington County, Missouri, United States, died on 26 January 2009 in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States at age 59, and was buried on 30 January 2009 in Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1950 Birthblock of Leonard Edward Slankard son of Noah David and Iona Marie (PATTERSON) Slankard

Leonard Edward Slankard was born in Richwoods, Richwoods Township, Washington County, Missouri, United States on 8 January 1950.

1962 Family Move

From Richwoods, Richwoods Township, Washington County, Missouri, United States to Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States

1972 Marriage of Leonard Edward Slankard and Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT) Leonard Edward Slankard and Virginia "Ginnie" Gay (PRATT) were married in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States on 30 June 1972.

2009 Death of Leonard Edward Slankard

Leonard Edward Slankard died in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States on 26 January 2009.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Leonard E. Slankard SSN:497-52-7845 Last Residence:63080 Sullivan, Franklin, Missouri Born:8 Jan 1950 Died:26 Jan 2009 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (1964)

2009 Burial of Leonard Edward Slankard

Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

2009 Obituary of Leonard Edward Slankard

[1] The Sullivan Independent News http://www.mysullivannews.com/

Leonard Slankard

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Leonard Edward Slankard of Sullivan, MO passed away on Monday, January 26, 2009 at the age of 59 years and 18 days.

Leonard was born in Richwoods, MO on January 8, 1950 to Noah David and Iona Marie (Patterson) Slankard. At the age of 12, Leonard moved with his family to the Sullivan area to make his home. He honorably served his country with the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War and on June 30, 1972 was united in marriage to Gay Pratt in Bourbon, MO.

Leonard was well-known throughout the area as an accomplished musician and songwriter. He was also a truck driver for many years. He was easygoing and had a host of friends with whom he shared his sense of humor. Leonard was a family man who was known as a devoted husband,

father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Leonard attended Sullivan Christian Church and will be fondly remembered by all who knew him.

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Along with his parents, Leonard was preceded in death by a brother, Bill; two infant brothers; and two sisters, Bertha Neier and Berta Faye Roddy.

Funeral services for Leonard Slankard were conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, January 30, 2009 from the Sullivan Christian Church with Pastor Jeff Bent officiating. Interment, with full military honors, was in Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, MO.

Leonard's memorial website is available at www.eatonfuneralhome.com where condolences may be sent to the family. All arrangements were under the care of the Eaton Funeral Home.

[2] Steelville Star-Crawford Mirror, Steelville, Crawford Co. MO Local Obituaries for the Week of February 4, 2009

Leonard Edward Slankard Leonard Edward Slankard of Sullivan, Missouri was born at Richwoods, Missouri on January 8, 1950 to Noah David and Iona Marie (Patterson) Slankard and passed away Monday, January 26, 2009 at the age of 59 years and 18 days.

At the age of 12 years, Leonard moved with his family to the Sullivan area to make his home. He honorably served his country with the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War.

On June 30, 1972 he was united in marriage to Gay Pratt at Bourbon, Missouri.

Leonard was well known throughout the area as an accomplished musician and songwriter. He was also a truck driver for many years. He was easy going and had a host of friends with whom he shared his sense of humor. He attended the Sullivan Christian Church.

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[3] United States Obituary Collection

Leonard Edward Slankard

Name of Deceased:Leonard Edward Slankard Gender:M (Male) Age at Death:59 Death Date:26 Jan 2009 Obituary Date:4 Feb 2009 Newspaper Title:Steelville Star Newspaper Location:Crawford Mirror, MO, USA Birth Date:8 Jan 1950 Spouse's Name:Gay Pratt Parents' Names:Noah David and Iona Marie (Patterson) Slankard and Childrens' Names:Becky Evans and Husband Mark of Sullivan, Missouri and Tammy Slankard and; Jeffrey Slankard and Wife Heather of Bourbon, Missouri Siblings' Names:Bertha Neier and Berta Faye Roddy; Bill; Bob Slankard and Wife Frieda, Rick Slankard and Wife Linda and Chuck Slankard and Wife Donna, All of Sullivan, Missouri; Melba Leturgez of Sullivan, Missouri Number of Grandchildren:7 Military:U.S. Navy

Find A Grave Memorial# 39844170 Created by: Diane Record added: Jul 25, 2009

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6. Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt (Henry Winslow "Win" 1) was born on 3 January 1902 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 7 May 1961 in Saint Luke's Hospital, 5535 Delmar Avenue, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States at age 59, and was buried on 10 May 1961 in Green Lawn Cemetery, 8251 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States.

Cradle to Grave Profile for Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 1 September 2011

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.



Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

1902 Birthblock for Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 3 January 1902.

Date from 1910 census states he was born in 1903 in Missouri.

Date from 1920 census states he was born in 1903 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states he was born in

Date from 1940 census states he was born in

Date from death certificate states he was born on 3 January 1902 in Bourbon, Missouri.

Name Comment

It appears to be some confusion over his name. If you look at the 1910 census you will note that his father and mother call him Henry A. Pratt age 7. However, on the death certificate he is called Arthur Henry Pratt and the informant is Arthur H. Pratt. I think that he was called Arthur as he was growing up and figured that Arthur was his first name and Henry was his second name. In the 1920 census he is 17 years old and he is called Arthur H. Pratt. So, do we believe his mother and father when he is 7 years old? I believe he was born Henry Arthur Pratt and his family called him Art and he grew up using Arthur Henry Pratt.-Floyd Thomas Pratt

1904 Childbirth of sister: Ruth Jane (PRATT)

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) was born 8 August 1904 in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1904-1907 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1907 Childbirth of sister; Mary Center (PRATT)

Mary Center (**PRATT**) was born 12 June 1907 at Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1910 Federal Census age 8

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242,

family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; Jessie L. son w m 15; Albert P. son w m 13; Virgil R. son w m 9; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. Henry & Laura have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single.]

Research Note

Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and son-in-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C.F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section: *C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.*

1911 Childbirth of brother; Orville Haves Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt was born 17 December 1911 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1912 Death of Grandfather; Alxander R. Pratt

[1] Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died either the early part of 1912 (Jan-Mar) or the latter (Oct-Dec) according to his grandson, Fred Callahan. The roads were icy and they could not take his body back to Sullivan so they buried him the Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. He died at his daughter's residence Thomas Livey & Polina (PRATT) Callahan's home near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

[2] Date on metal plate at gravesite states 1831-1912 from gravesite marker at Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1914 Death of Father; Henry Winslow Pratt

Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #12055 As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Winslow Pratt March 24, 1914 Crawford 12055 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

"Winslow Pratt white married male born 6 September 1868 in Missouri to Alexander Pratt born in Missouri and Mary Kimberlin born Missouri. Winslow is a farmer. James P. Dunnigan M.D. was attending physician from 1 February 1914 to 24 March 1914 and Winslow died of ureaiei and chronic intestinal mephitis. He died at 9:30am on 24 March 1914 at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States and was buried on 26 March 1914 at Crawford County, Missouri. The informant was Lum Missey, Bourbon, Missouri."

[Urea: A nitrogen-containing substance normally cleared from the blood by the kidney into the urine. Diseases that compromise the function of the kidney often lead to increased blood levels of urea, as measured by the blood urea nitrogen test. Mephitic or carbon dioxide poisoning. - mephitic, mephitical, adj. It appears Winslow ate something at Christmas and it poisoned him.]

1914 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 March 1914, Friday:

"Winslow Pratt of Crow's Creek died Wednesday, March 25. He had been sick since Christmas. He leaves a wife and 8 children."

1920 Federal Census age 18

Walnut Street, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 166, 5 June 1920, house 61

PRATT, Laura M. head w f 45 widow; Virgil R. son w m 20; <u>Arthur H. son w m 17;</u> Orville J. son w m 8

[All born in Missouri as was their parents. Laura was renting this house and she and her sons could read and write. Virgil and Arthur worked in the coal mines as miners. They were living next door to Alfred Webster & Mary Eva (**GINTZ**) Barton.]

1923 Marriage Witness

"Record of Marriages Solemnized by A.P. Missey" by Reverend Albert Paris Missey ME.

Arthur Pratt, Henry Reed and Ambrose Missey were witnesses to the marriage of Robert E. Stroup and Ethel D. (**MISSEY**) on 10 January 1923 at Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States by Reverend Albert Paris Missey ME.

1930 Federal Census age 28

Can't locate him.

1931-1939 Marriage of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall

Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall were married after the divorce date and before 1939, probably in the Kansas City area.

1934 Baptism of Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt Hazel Belle (COZIAH) became a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and was baptised on 2 September 1934.

1930-1939 Family Move

Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt moved from Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States to 2633 Park Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States.

1939 Death of father-in-law; James J. Coziah

James J. Coziah was residing with his daughter; Hazel and son in law; Henry Arthur Pratt at 2633 Park Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri when he died on 28 April 1939. The informant on the death certificate was Hazel Pratt.

1940 Federal Census age

1942 Reminiscing

My dad, Floyd Theodore Pratt says he paid \$10 a month to Art & Hazel Pratt for room & board in 1942. He said they lived on Texas Avenue in St. Louis. He says they lived in a flat.

1942-1959 Family Move

From Texas Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States to Cuba, Benton Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1942-1959 Property Transaction

Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt bought a home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1959 Death of spouse; Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell, Schwartz, Belamy, Vain, Stall Pratt

Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt died at home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1959.

1960-1961 Marriage of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt and Mrs. Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton Spoel Cross

Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Mrs. Beulah Cross from Detroit, Michigan were married 1960-1961.

Occupation

Mechanic- Anderson Motor Service, Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1961 Death of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt died in Saint Lukes Hospital, 5535 Delmar Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States on 7 May 1961.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Death Certificate, State File#61-019377.

Arthur Henry Pratt white married male born 3 January 1902 in Bourbon, Missouri to Winslow Pratt and Laura Missey. He was a retired mechanic from Anderson Motor Service. His usual residence was Bourbon, Crawford County, Missouri. He died at Saint Lukes Hospital, 5535 Delmar Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States on 7 May 1961 and was removed on 7 May 1961 to the Green Lawn Cemetery, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri. His wife's name was Beulah[no last name]. The informant was Arthur H. Pratt, Bourbon, Missouri. [Evidently they took this information from his admittance papers prior to his death.]

1961 Burial of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

Green Lawn Cemetery, 8251 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States SA Phone: (816) 523-2053

Pratt, Arthur H. 3 January 1902-7 May 1961

Pratt, Hazel Bell January 1893-24 December 1959

Coziah, James J. 31 August 1858-28 April 1939

Note: Can't find him in the SSDI. Maybe he didn't have a social security card which is unlikely since he was a mechanic for an employer, the SSDI is not a complete listing of all SS applicants. To obtain additional information you need to order a copy of the application.

1970 John McCormick's Book (as it was written)

"Forest Hills and Vicinity" by John Steele McCormick, 1970, states the following about Henry Winslow Pratt family, Page 376:

5. Arthur, b. Jan 2, 1902; d. May 7, 1961; m. (1) Hazel Belle Stall of Kansas City; m. (2) Mrs. Beulah Cross of Detroit, Mich.; no children.

The Amazing Wives of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 8 June 2008

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That's all I had, very little to go on, but the John McCormick book gave me a hint as to Art's first wife's name.

On the surface Hazel Belle sounds like given names Stall did not sound like a maiden name.

Checking ancestry.com resources left a blank. To make matters worse, Art and Hazel had not been listed in a census together to give me an age for her or a birth location. All I knew about her...she was Hazel Belle Stall from Kansas City, Missouri.

When researching deceased ancestors going from birth to grave in the normal procedure (C2G) or cradle to grave. However, when looking for recently live ancestors going from last point known to birth is the correct procedure. This was no exception.

Starting with the last known available census 1930, I was looking for a Hazel Belle Stall hopefully in Kansas City, Missouri. Longshot...Bingo!

Living at 6910 East 37th Street, Ward 14 Block 368, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States, page 160b, 12 April 1930, line 62, house 6910 was the following information:

STALL, Charles G head w m 52; <u>Hazel B wife w f 36</u>; **SCHWARTZ**, Albert sson w m 16; **DARNELL**, Harold D sson w m 19; **COZIAH**, James boarder w m 76; Joseph H boarder w m 45; **WALTON**, Ethel M boarder w f 40; **VINCENT**, Aden boarder w m 31; **PHILPOTT**, Elmer boarder w m 35; **STALL**, Harold nephew w m 22; **SALING**,

Rutherford H boarder 69; Mary E boarder w f 65

[Charles was born in Missouri his parents in Germany; Hazel was born in Idaho her parents in Illinois; Albert was born in Wyoming his father in Pennsylvania his mother in Idaho; Harold was born in Wyoming his father in Iowa his mother in Idaho; Harold Stall the nephew was born in Missouri as was his parents. James Coziah, first married at age 21; Hazel's widowed father was born in Illinois and was his parents. Joseph H.[Harvey] Coziah first married at age 27; Hazel's divorced brother born in Iowa his parents in Illinois, Charles was first married at age 48, Hazel was first married at age 18. Charles owns a boarding house. Albert, Harold D, and Harold are single]

This census was the key to unlocking Hazel's life. It told me her husband's name Charles G. Stall and she had a son named Albert Schwartz age 16 born in Wyoming and another son named Harold D. Darnell age 19 in Wyoming and her father's name James Coziah age 76 from Illinois and a brother named Joseph Coziah born in Iowa..

It also told me that Hazel B. was 36 and born in Idaho. It also told me that Hazel's maiden name was Coziah, she had been married to a Schwartz, and she had been married to a Darnell. She had also been born in 1894 and was first married at age 18 in 1912. Now it was time to arrange the order of these marriages and families. This was an unusual woman.

Timetracking...I went looking for her or her father or children in the 1920 census in either, Kansas City, Missouri, Wyoming or Idaho or Illinois maybe Iowa. Longshot...Bingo!

In the 1920 census of Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Lincoln, Wyoming, United States, page 122b, 13 February 1920, line 96, farm 249, family 266 I found the following:

COZIAH, James head w m 61; **BELLAMY**, Hazel dau w f 27; Harold gson w m 9; Albert gson w m 5

[James is a widower and was born in Illinois as was his parents, Hazel is a widow and was born in Idaho her parents were born in Illinois, Harold and Albert were born in Wyoming, their father in Iowa, their mother in Idaho. James is a farm laborer.]

This threw another wrench in the works...Hazel had married a Bellamy! Now, let's get this straight, there was Great Uncle Art Pratt, Charles G. Stall, ? Bellamy, ? Schwartz and ? Darnell...so far.

The 1920 census told me that she was a widow, since son; Harold D. Darnell was born in 1911 in Wyoming this gave me an approximate marriage date to? Darnell. Albert Schwartz was born 1915 also in Wyoming; this also gave me an approximate marriage date to his father between 1911-1915. Also it said that Harold and Albert's father were born in Iowa.

Timetracking...I went looking for her in the 1910 census...who knows what her surname would be this time? Longshot...Bingo!

I was amazed to find her in the following:

The 1910 census of Red Oak City, Ward 2, Montgomery, <u>lowa</u>, United States, page 123a, 26 April 1910, line 69, house 1211, dwelling 324, family 333 living with her Aunt and Uncle.

KIRBY, Edward head w m 27; Stella wife w f 34; Opal dau w f 2; unnamed son w m 3/12; **COZIAH**. Hazel niece w f 17

[Edward was born in the United States his parents in England. Stella (**COZIAH**) was born in lowa her parents in Illinois. Opal & unnamed were born in lowa their father in US their mother in lowa. Hazel was born in Idaho her father in Illinois her mother in Iowa. Hazel is a housekeeper living with her Aunt Stella. This is Edward and Stella's first marriage and they have been married for 3 years. Stella says she had had 2 children born and 2 are living.]

This census verified that Hazel was a COZIAH and using her maiden name. She was consistent with the birthplaces of her parents. It also gave me a clue that her Aunt Stella was a COZIAH before she married Edward Kirby.

So far, what this told me was that Hazel married Darnell first and right after this census date. Her son, Harold Darnell was born in 1911 in Wyoming. So, either she married in Iowa or for some reason she moved to Wyoming before Harold's birth.

The next step, you guessed it...look for the 1900 census. Bingo! Not what I was looking for. I was looking for her father, mother and siblings since she was born in 1894 she should be 6 years old.

Here's what I found...1900 census of Cokeville Precinct, Election District 5, Uinta, Wyoming, United States, page 185a, 8 June 1900, line 1, house 56, family 56 with the following:

STOFFERS, Claude head w m born February 1865 age 66; Annat wife w f born October 1852 age 47; Fredrick son w m born July 1871 age 28; Laroncy son w m born March 1876 age 24; Laura P. dau w f born February 1878 age 22; Louella dau w f born April 1882 age 18; Johnny son w m born May 1884 age 16; George E. son w m born December 1886 age 13; Oscar son w m born March 1893 age 7; COZIAH, Hazel boarder w f born January 1893 age 7; TITTENGER, Voluma boarder w m born May 1885 age 15 [Hazel was born in Idaho her parents in Illinois. Her father; James Coziah and sister Ethel Coziah are boarders in separate homes a few houses away. It appears James could not handle all four children after the death of their mother, so he split them up in different houses.]

This was unfortunate...no intact family. This told me that a great tragedy had befallen this family.

Checking neighbors I saw that other Coziah children had been spread out over the Wyoming territory. This told me from experience that when a widowed spouse has to contend with a large family, they needed help; neighbors and friends were the best choice.

My heart began to sorrow for this fragmented family and I wondered what else I would find. Checking the New Family Search files (NFS) on my church's website for a James Coziah born 1863 in Illinois, I found some help.

James J. Coziah born 31 August 1863 at Galesburg, Knox, Illinois, United States to Joseph (1840-1911) & Nancy (18342-1907) (**WOOLEY**) Coziah from Iowa and Illinois. He had married Eva May (**OSTRADER**) on 1 January 1886 in Atwood, Rawlins, Kansas, United States.

KANSAS!!! KANSAS!!! In my 35 years of research I have never seen anything like this family.

New Family Search information is submitted by church members. Most of the time, they fail to document their information. Remember, genealogy without documentation is mythology!

The submitters said that Eva died on 14 November 1893 in Logan, Utah. Based on my research into James Coziah, I was able to piece together a chronological history of his family.

James J. Coziah

James J. Coziah is born in 1863 in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois, United States, by the 1870 census he is living near the Colfax Post Office, Mound City Twp, Jasper, Iowa, United States with his parents.

By the 1880 census he is still with his parents and living in Mound Prairie Twp, Jasper, Iowa, United States.

By 1886 he has moved to Atwood, Rawlins, Kansas, United States and marries Eva May (**OSTRANDER**).

During that year he moved from Kansas to Des Moines, Polk, Iowa, United States where his son; Joseph Harvey Coziah is born on 7 September 1886. On 20 August 1887, a daughter; Ethel May (**COZIAH**) is born.

Sometime after 1887 they moved from Des Moines to Sun Valley, Logan, Idaho, United States.

I know you are saying, what possessed them to move there. You'll have to ask them.

Son; Frank Lee Coziah is born on 13 March 1889 in Sun Valley, Logan, Idaho, United States. Daughter; Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) is born on 6 December 1892 and on 14 November 1893 the family losses their mother and James lost his wife; Eva May (**OSTRANDER**) Coziah.

With 4 children all under 7 years of age, and the prospects of remarriage in the western wilderness unlikely, he places his children with local families.

In the 1900 census he is living in the Cokeville Precinct, Election District 5, Uinta, Wyoming, United States with **OLSON**, Peter W 33; Fannie 28; Arthur G 4; Leslie K 3; Tressie M 9.12; **JOHNSON**, Millie 15; **COZIAH**, James boarder w m born August 1858 age 41; **McKEE**, John 42; Clara 26

[James was born in Illinois as was his parents. He is a ranch laborer. His daughter Ethel is living with the Henry Wheelock family on page 184a; his daughter Hazel is living with the Claude Stoffer family on census page 185a.]

James daughter Ethel is living with the Henry Wheelock family on census page 184a; James daughter Hazel is living with the Claude Stoffer family on census page 185a. His son Joseph is living at Nuphar Precinct, Election District 5, Bear Lake, Idaho, United States, page 313b, 27 June 1900, line 67, house 262, family 267 with **MILLER**, John O 32; Mary E 23; Boyd C 6; Mabel C 4; **COZIAH**, Joseph foster son w m born September 1885 age 14

[Joseph was born in Iowa and he didn't know where his parents were born. He goes to school.]

His son Frank is living with his **grandparents** at Hilburn Twp, Madison, Arkansas, United States, page 150a, 18 June 1900, line 43, house 235, family 245 with **WOOLLY**, Silas E. head w m born March 1836 age 64; Ellen K. wife w f born August 1834 age 65; **COSIAH**, Frank L. gson w m born March 1891 age 9

[Silas was born in Illinois, his father in Kentucky and his mother in Indiana, Kate was born in New Jersey as was her parents, Frank was born in Idaho as was his parents.

Silas was first married at age 43, Ellen at age 43. Ellen has had 3 children born and 0 are living. Silas is a farmer and is renting.]

By the 1910 census James is in Pilot Grove Twp, Montgomery, Iowa, United States.

Hazel Belle (COZIAH)

After the death of her mother, Hazel moved from Sun Valley, Blaine, Idaho, United States to Cokeville Precinct, Election District 5, Uinta, Wyoming, United States.

Hazel moved from Cokeville Precinct, Election District 5, Uinta, Wyoming, United States to Red Oak City, Ward 2, Montgomery, Iowa, United States to live with her Aunt Stella (**COZIAH**) Kirby between 1900-1910.

Paul E. Darnell and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) were married after the 26 April 1910 census date and before 22 October 1911. Probably in Iowa.

Hazel and Paul Darnell moved from Red Oak City, Ward 2, Montgomery, Iowa, United States to Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta, Wyoming, United States after they were married and son Harold James Darnell was born.

Paul E. Darnell born 12 March 1892 in Madison, Nebraska according to his World War I draft registration card in 1917.

Paul E. Darnell and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell were divorced from 1912 to date of Hazel's second marriage probably in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta, Wyoming, United States.

John Albert Schwartz and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell were married 1913-1914 probably in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta, Wyoming, United States.

Son; Albert Schwartz was born in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta, Wyoming, United States in 1914.

John Albert Schwartz and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz were divorced or she was widowed from 1914 to date of 3rd marriage probably in Uinta or Lincoln Counties, Wyoming, United States.

?_____ Bellamy and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz were married from date of

2nd divorce or widowhood to 13 February 1920, the date of the 1920 census probably in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Lincoln, Wyoming, United States.

Husband Bellamy died between their marriage date and 13 February 1920 of the federal census probably in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Lincoln, Wyoming, United States.

Hazel is a widow in the 1920 census of Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Lincoln, Wyoming, United States, page 122b, 13 February 1920, line 96, farm 249, family 266 with her father; James Coziah and her sons.

Widow Hazel (**COZIAH**) Darnell, Schwartz Bellamy moved from Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Lincoln, Wyoming, United States to East 37th Street, Ward 14 Block 368, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States between 1920-1930.

Delbert Vail and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy were married from 1920 to 1926.

Delbert Vail and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail were divorced in 1926.

Charles G. Stall and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail were married after 1926 before 12 April 1930 census date.

This is the census that started it all.

And then Hazel shows up in the 1930 census of 6910 East 37th Street, Ward 14 Block 368, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States, page 160b, 12 April 1930, line 62, house 6910 with **STALL**, Charles G head w m 52; <u>Hazel B wife w f 36</u>; **SCHWARTZ**, Albert sson w m 16; **DARNELL**, Harold D sson w m 19; **COZIAH**, James boarder w m 76; Joseph H boarder w m 45; **WALTON**, Ethel M boarder w f 40; **VINCENT**, Aden boarder w m 31; **PHILPOTT**, Elmer boarder w m 35; **STALL**, Harold nephew w m 22; **SALING**, Rutherford H boarder 69; Mary E boarder w f 65

[Charles was born in Missouri his parents in Germany; Hazel was born in Idaho her parents in Illinois; Albert was born in Wyoming his father in Pennsylvania his mother in Idaho; Harold was born in Wyoming his father in Iowa his mother in Idaho; Harold Stall the nephew was born in Missouri as was his parents. James Coziah, first married at age 21; Hazel's widowed father was born in Illinois and was his parents. Joseph H.[Harvey] Coziah first married at age 27; Hazel's divorced brother born in Iowa his parents in Illinois, Charles was first married at age 48, Hazel was first married at age 18. Charles owns a boarding house. Albert, Harold D, and Harold are single]

Charles G. Stall and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall were divorced or she was widowed after 1930.

Sometime after the divorce or widowhood of Charles G. Stall, Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall were married after the divorce date and before 1939, probably in the Kansas City area.

Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt became a member of the

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and was baptized on 2 September 1934.

Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt moved from Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States to 2633 Park Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States sometime in the 1930's.

Hazel's father; James J. Coziah was residing with his daughter; Hazel and son-in-law; Henry Arthur Pratt at 2633 Park Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri died on 28 April 1939. The informant on the death certificate was Hazel Pratt. James was buried in the Green Lawn Cemetery, 8251 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States.

My dad, Floyd Theodore Pratt says he paid \$10 a month to Art & Hazel Pratt for room & board in 1942. He said they lived in a flat on Texas Avenue in St. Louis.

Henry Arthur "Art" & Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Pratt bought a home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1959.

Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt was buried with her father in the Green Lawn Cemetery in Kansas City, Missouri.

Hence; John McCormick's statement: Arthur's 1st wife: *Hazel Belle Stall of Kansas City*

Email from Pat Jameson on 3 May 2009

I met Hazel in California in the 40's while on a visit with my grandmother, Jessie Sizemore. We had lunch at her home and at that time, I believe she was married to a Pratt. They had a lovely home with a basement full of beautiful furniture from all over the world. But that is all I can remember.

She was the first wife of Delbert Vail who became the husband to my grandmother, Jessie Sizemore. Delbert Vail died and years later, my grandmother had her own temple sealing to Joseph Harvey Coziah <u>set aside</u> and was sealed to Delbert Vail on October 24, 1967 in the Oakland Temple. In NFS, it shows someone re-did this sealing March 5, 2008 in the Cardston Temple. Hazel and husband (Bellamy) had 2 children (Harold and Albert).

I do not know when Ellen Katherine Coziah married the second time to Silas E. Wooley (who happens to be related to another member of my family). Her death therefore, would be listed as Ellen Katherine Wooley. She is in one of the census as living as a widow with Eva May Coziah.

Eva May Ostrander was born 19 March 1868 in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois. Eva May Ostrander Coziah died November 14, 1893 in Sun Valley, Idaho.

My notes on Ellen Katherine Price are - Home in 1880 was Wataga, Knox, Illinois per the 1880 Census. Mother and Father were both from New Jersey.

1910 census shows Kate E. married to Silas E. Wooley and her age as 75.

I am 73 years old and have been on 2 missions to Salt Lake City working on the NFS starting in 2002. I teach in the FHC on Sunday and work there on Wednesdays. I work in the Houston Temple Office on Thursday mornings. I am on a Service Mission now out of Salt Lake. I work with Quality Assurance checking the e-mails that Salt Lake missionaries send out to make sure they are kind, helpful and correct. The computer has a knowledge base that can be reached through the Help Center on the front page of NFS. Lets keep in touch and work together on this mutual line. Thanks for your information. Pat

Email to Pat Jameson 2 May 2009

Sister Jameson, my interest in the Ostrander and Coziah families comes from Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**). These two families have been a real pain to research. I have never seen in my 35 years of family history research a family move around so much. Hazel's 6th husband was my Great Uncle; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt.

Concerning the Ostranders they were fun to research up to a point...after Henry P. Ostrander married a second time. Henry had married first Angeline () born 1811 in New Jersey listed in the 1850, 1860 census records. They had...6 verified children. Angeline died after the 1860 census and before her husband's second marriage to Ellen Catherine "Kate" (**PRICE**) you mentioned above. Now it gets sticky.

When I researched the Ostrander's I did not go into detail because my interest was the Coziah line. But after your inquiry and email I decided to investigate the Ostrander family line. This is where I ran into a problem. I thought that I had gotten my information from New Family Search, which is how I found you are a member, and upon investigation did not find the answers there.

I thought maybe I found this info from ancestry.com "trees" and did find others but it looks like they copied what I had put in. So, at this point I don't know where I made the connection and after investigation I now think that Jeremiah B. & Huldah (**SALTER**) Price (1850, 1860, 1870 census) are not her parents. I am not sure that she is even a Price.

Somewhere, someone gave me that info otherwise I would not have put it into my records. One of the problems with Ellen Katherine is she did not know how to tell the truth when it came to her birth year. In the 1870 census she says she is 35, same for the 1880 census. In the 1900 census she finally states she was born August 1834.

Do you know when she died? I figure between 1917-1920. This is where I lose her in the records. It is imperative that we find her death certificate or death notice in the newspapers in order to verify her parents. After looking at Jeremiah Price's census records in New Jersey, I believe his daughter Ellen A...; who was 5 in 1850 and Ellen 15 in 1860 and he had a dau Annie E. age 25 in the 1870 census which looks like Ellen Annie (**PRICE**) is not our Ellen Catherine "Kate" () that married Henry P. Ostrander around 1866-1868. Getting a copy of Eva May (**OSTRANDER**) Coziah's death certificate or newspaper obit might disclose her mother's maiden name.

If Ellen died between 1917-1920 do you have a copy of her death certificate? Probably in Lincoln County, Wyoming.

In the 1910 census she states that she and Silas were married around 1880-1881. This exact

date would be helpful. If you are doing the temple work for this family let me know and I will let you do it. If not then I will process these family members.

Enclosed are my notes on the family. I am a Family History Consultant in the Bradenton 2nd Ward and have been researching for 35 years. Let me know what other help you may need. Please answer directly to: floydpratt59@verizon.net Floyd Pratt M.A.G.I., F.H.C. 2009

End of emails

If all goes well, I plan on a trip to visit Dad in September and he said he would show me the house that Art and Hazel lived in Bourbon and it turns out that Art's second wife Beulah lived there. If I get to go, I will take a picture for those of you who are interested.

Hazel had 6 husbands and maybe more. She had 2 known children and maybe more.

With all that she had been through and all of her trials and difficulties, she still managed to find the time to listen to the spirit and heed the calling for membership in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

I have a great respect and admiration for Hazel; I feel she was an amazing woman. I am looking forward to meeting her.

Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN)

After Hazel's death in 1959, Art married his second wife; Mrs. Beulah Cross from Detroit, Michigan.

All I had to go on was John McCormick's statement *Mrs. Beulah Cross of Detroit, Michigan*.

This appeared to be impossible to track since I was looking for a marriage after 1959 and before Arthur's death on 7 May 1961.

So, I had resigned myself the obvious...someone else will have to figure out this mystery.

However, sometimes I feel the Lord moves mountains to solve mysteries especially when eternal consequences are involved.

For 35 years since I had known about Mrs. Beulah Cross of Detroit, Michigan, no one else in my family circles knew about her much except Dad, he said that Art and Beulah lived in Art's house in Bourbon, Missouri when Art died.

She lived in the home for a while after Art's death and then apparently moved back to Michigan. But, wait, I am getting ahead of myself.

One thing I knew; Cross was not her maiden name and she had lived or did live in Detroit.

With no census information to help, no death certificate, no marriage records, I had

nothing...until.

I had self imposed a deadline to finish with this genealogy research by December 2010 when my annual subscription to ancestry.com renewed. I was going to be done once and for all after 35 years and wanted to start and finish some other projects I had started.

So, I worked my way down through my 27,000 people in this Pratt Progenitor Papers family tree starting with Henry Pratt, then updating the Carters, then each of Henry and Nancy's children and their spouses and parents, working my way from generation to generation to me.

When last month I got to Ambrose James Missey and Parry Jane (**RICHARDSON**) family and began updating the Richardsons, Parry Jane's brother is William Eli "Pete" Richardson who married Jessie (**COFFMAN**) on 5 January 1907 at Steelville, Meramec Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

William and Parry's parents are George Washington & Mary Lucinda "Cindy" (HOLLINGSWORTH) Richardson, old family in Crawford County, Missouri.

So, as I began my updating of William & Jessie (**COFFMAN**) Richardson family I remembered that one of their children is my great Aunt Eula Viola (**RICHARDSON**) who married my great uncle Virgil Ranson Pratt, brother to Henry Arthur Pratt.

Aunt Eula as we called her was a storehouse of knowledge and information about the people and families in Bourbon and surrounding communities. She was amazing!

But, unfortunately, although I had asked hundreds of questions, I didn't ask all the right questions when she was alive and now I go asking questions to people who just don't know.

That's where the Lord helps.

As I was filling in the blanks on Jessie (**COFFMAN**) Richardson, Aunt Eula's mother, I began my update on Jessie' parents; Joseph Lafayette "Fate" & Elizabeth Isabelle "Izzie" (**DAVIS**) Coffman.

You may ask what is "updating"? Updating is setting in logical order events and documents in a person's life that can be found in courthouses, like deeds, marriages, court records and cemeteries, census records from 1790 to 1930 and land records, military participation and any other records, like pictures, stories from other family members and the most neglected and untapped source...newspapers.

After I have assembled these records I set them in chronological order and call it the Cradle to Grave Profile. (C2G) I post these profiles on ancestry.com and send them to interested parties knowing that this information will give them a boost in their research so they don't have to repeat my 35 years of research. Saving them hundreds if not thousands of hours of research.

Sometimes these profiles are several pages long. Depends on how long the individual lived and how active they were in their community.

As I was updating Fayette & Izzie's family, Jessie (**COFFMAN**) happened to be the oldest child. After Jessie came her sister; Myrtle Ellen (**COFFMAN**) who married Arthur S. Lindsey. Followed by each child until I have all I can find and know on each individual, their spouses and their spouse's family.

Fayette & Izzie's had 10 children that we can verify and 3 we can't. When I got to child number 7, whom was Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**).

Going to ancestry.com to find out what others knew about her I found 9 trees with very little to no information on her...except one tree.

One tree had two husband's for her a Cross and a James. When I saw the Cross surname a bell went off in my head that was so loud I am sure others in the neighborhood could hear.

I began to start checking. I contacted that person on ancestry but she was very vague about Beulah and said that Beulah had been married 5 or 6 times. She said she knew a cousin, son of Beulah named Bobby Cross that had information about his parents.

I asked her to get him in touch with me and she has not replied. She kept giving me incorrect information about the Coffman family even though she claimed to have known them. She left children out of the family and made other claims that were proven false.

However, when I told her that I thought my Uncle Henry Arthur Pratt was married to Beulah, the next day she had updated her tree with that information...willing to accept others information but not willing to share...or even a thank you.

Nevertheless, I found through another researcher Beulah's headstone and picture on Find-A-Grave, which also listed Beulah's other husbands.

It appears that Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) was a busy girl. Her first husband is listed as James Thomas Beauten born 1898 in Equality Twp, Gallatin, Illinois, United States and before the 1920 census he had moved to Detroit, Michigan.

I was able to find him in the 1900, 1910 and 1920 census before I lost him. If he did marry Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) then the record must be in Michigan.

Her second husband was Charles Spoel. Could not find anything about him.

Her third husband and this is confusing, she is listed in the 1925 & 1930 Kansas census with a Richard Cross.

However, the person on ancestry.com whom I previously spoke about who was supposed to know her son; Bobby Cross put in her tree that his father was Kenneth Archibald Cross born 21 November 1906 at in Switz City, Greene, Indiana, United States http://places.ancestry.com/index.aspx?tid=5479606&pid=678296183&eid=10570846855 and died 6 August 1975 in Belleville, Wayne, Michigan, United States.

I am a little afraid of this information because two days ago it was not there and now it shows up without explanation. She failed to list a marriage date and with her history of conflicting

information it is hard to determine who really was Beulah's 3 rd husband; Richard Cross of Kansas or Kenneth Cross of Indiana.

Therefore, until further evidence can be documented I am not convinced who her? Cross husband was.

It appears that Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt was her 4 th husband. No marriage location or date has been found but I figure Crawford County, Missouri, St. Louis, Missouri or Kansas City, Missouri holds the marriage record.

This marriage took place after the death or divorce of her 3 rd husband and after the death of Art's first wife Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Pratt in 1959.

Knowing Art, at age 57 he would not have been running around up to Detroit, Michigan to get married. Beulah was probably down in Crawford County, Missouri visiting relatives and met widower; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt.

They were married between 1959 and 1961 either in St. Louis or Crawford County or elsewhere and she moved in with Art at Bourbon, Missouri. She attended the local Pratt family reunions held in each September and became good friends with my Aunt Mary Edith (**PRATT**) Skaggs.

After the death of Uncle Art in 1961, it is unknown how long she lived in their home before she moved back to the Detroit area where she married her 5 th husband, Clifford D. James.

Clifford died in May 1973 and was buried at Parkview Memorial Cemetery, 34205 5 Mile Road, Livonia, Wayne, Michigan, United States.

Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) Beauten, Spoel, Cross, Pratt, James died on 4 January 1984 at Taylor, Wayne, Michigan, United States. She is buried with 5 th husband; Clifford D. James.

On Find-A-Grave they posted a picture of her and a picture of the joint headstone with her husband at Parkview Memorial Cemetery, 34205 5 Mile Road, Livonia, Wayne, Michigan, United States. You can access this at http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi? page=gr&GSln=James&GSiman=1&GScid=1344&GRid=7106224&>

I don't believe I would have purposely researched this person if I had not seen one of her husbands was a Cross.

The coincidence of a Mrs. Beulah Cross from Detroit, Michigan as John McCormick's book stated to be located was too much of a long shot.

However, what drew my interest to this Beulah was that she was born in Crawford County, Missouri, had married a Cross and was from Detroit, Michigan.

After hard research and many, many hours in these records I was able to put two and two together and connect Arthur's mystery 2nd wife listed in John McCormick's book as Mrs. Beulah Cross from Detroit, Michigan as one and the same as Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**)

Beauten, Spoel, Cross, Pratt, James.

Great Uncle Art seems to have had a penchant for woman who had multiple husbands.

So, there you have it. A great mystery concerning two outstanding women and how they crossed the path of my great Uncle Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt. A 35-year or more mystery has been solved.

After I disclosed my findings on ancestry.com, now I see many of those 9 trees that knew nothing before about Beulah's husbands have now updated their trees with my information and added Henry Arthur "Art' Pratt as one of her husbands.

That is my purpose and mission...to shake up a complacency of apathy in the genealogical world about record keeping and research techniques.

I have attempted to set a prime example of how research should be conducted and produced. Based on my findings you can write a biography of any individual using my sources.

And you may ask, where did the spark that enlightens and guides your mind originate...from my Heavenly Father, of course. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 8 June 2010

Henry married Hazel Belle (COZIAH), daughter of James Harvey Coziah and Eva May (OSTRANDER), from 1931 to 1939. Hazel was born on 6 December 1892 in Sun Valley, Logan, Idaho, United States, died on 24 December 1959 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 67, and was buried on 28 December 1959 in Green Lawn Cemetery, 8251 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States. They had no children.



Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Pratt

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile of Hazel Belle (COZIAH) by Floyd Thomas</u> <u>Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 1 September 2011</u>

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1893 Birthblock of Hazel Belle (COZIAH) daughter of James J. & Eva May (OSTRANDER) Coziah

Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) was born in Sun Valley, Logan, Idaho, United States on 6 December 1892.

Date from the 1900 census states she was born January 1893 in Idaho.

Date from the 1910 census states she was born 1893 in Idaho.

Date from the 1920 census states she was born 1893 in Idaho.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1894 in Idaho.

Date from the death certificate states she was born 6 December 1892 in Idaho.

Since her mother died 14 November 1893 at Sun Valley, Logan which later became Blaine County, Idaho, United States, I would suspect that is where she was born.

1893 Death of mother; Eva May (OSTRANDER) Coziah

Eva May (**OSTRANDER**) Coziah died on 14 November 1893 in Sun Valley, Logan, Idaho, United States. [Date and place from new family search files...unverified]

1893-1900 Family Move

Move with family from Sun Valley, Blaine, Idaho, United States to Cokeville Precinct, Election District 5, Uinta, Wyoming, United States.

1900 Federal Census

Cokeville Precinct, Election District 5, Uinta, Wyoming, United States, page 185a, 8 June 1900, line 1, house 56, family 56

STOFFERS, Claude head w m born February 1865 age 66; Annat wife w f born October 1852 age 47; Fredrick son w m born July 1871 age 28; Laroncy son w m born March 1876 age 24; Laura P. dau w f born February 1878 age 22; Louella dau w f born April 1882 age 18; Johnny son w m born May 1884 age 16; George E. son w m born December 1886 age 13; Oscar son w m born March 1893 age 7; COZIAH, Hazel boarder w f born January 1893 age 7; TITTENGER, Voluma boarder w m born May 1885 age 15 [Hazel was born in Idaho her parents in Illinois. Her father; James Coziah and sister Ethel Coziah are boarders in seperate homes a few houses away. It appears James could not handle all four children after the death of their mother, so he split them up in different houses.]

1900-1910 Family Move

Hazel moved from Cokeville Precinct, Election District 5, Uinta, Wyoming, United States to Red Oak City, Ward 2, Montgomery, Iowa, United States to live with her Aunt Stella (**COZIAH**) Kirby between 1900-1910.

1910 Federal Census

Red Oak City, Ward 2, Montgomery, Iowa, United States, page 123a, 26 April 1910, line 69, house 1211, dwelling 324, family 333

KIRBY, Edward head w m 27; Stella wife w f 34; Opal dau w f 2; Unnamed son w m 3/12; COZIAH. Hazel niece w f 17

[Edward was born in the United States his parents in England. Stella (**COZIAH**) was born in lowa her parents in Illinois. Opal & unnamed were born in lowa their father in US their mother in lowa. Hazel was born in Idaho her father in Illinois her mother in lowa. Hazel is a housekeeper living with her Aunt Stella. This is Edward and Stella's first marriage and they have been married for 3 years. Stella says she had had 2 children born and 2 are living.]

1910-1911 1st marriage of Paul E. Darnell and Hazel Belle (COZIAH)

Paul E. Darnell and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) were married after 26 April 1910 census date and before 22 October 1911. Probably in Iowa.

1910-1911 Family Move

Hazel and Paul Darnell moved from Red Oak City, Ward 2, Montgomery, Iowa, United States to Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta, Wyoming, United States after they were married.

1911 Childbirth of son; Harold James Darnell

Harold James Darnell was born in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta, Wyoming, United States on 22 October 1911.

1912-1913 Divorce of Paul E. Darnell and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell

Paul E. Darnell and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell were divorced from 1912 to date of 2nd marriage probably in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta, Wyoming, United States.

1912-1913 Family Move

Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell moved from Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta County, Wyoming to Paris, Bear Lake County, Idaho after 1912 and before her marriage in 1913.

1913-1914 2nd marriage of John Albert Schwarz and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell

John Albert Schwarz and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell were married on 12 July 1913 in Paris, Bear Lake, Idaho, United States.

[1] Western States Marriage Record Index

http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/westernStates/westernStatesRecordDetail.cfm?recordID=44244

Details For Marriage ID#44244 Groom Last Name: SCHWARZ Groom First Name: John Albert Groom Residence: Bride Last Name: DARNELL Bride First Name: Hazel Bella Bride Residence: Place: Paris Date: 12 Jul 1913 County of Record: Bear Lake State: Idaho Volume: 3 Page: 27

Research Note

It appears after her marriage to John Albert Schwarz, They moved back to Uinta County, Wyoming because in the 1920 census Hazel states that son; Albert Schwarz was born in Wyoming.

1914 Childbirth of son; Albert Schwarz

Albert Schwartz was born in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Uinta, Wyoming, United States in 1914.

1914-1920 Divorce or widowed of John Albert Schwarz and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwarz

John Albert Schwarz and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwarz were divorced or she was widowed from 1914 to date of 3rd marriage to _____ Bellamy probably in either Uinta or Lincoln Counties, Wyoming, United States.

Warning !!! 1917 Marriage of Lloyd Elmo Wescott and Hazel (CAZIER)

[1] Western States Marriage Record Index

http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/westernStates/westernStatesRecordDetail.cfm?recordID=234837

Details For Marriage ID#234837 Groom Last Name: WESTCOTT Groom First Name: Lloyd E. Groom Residence: Bride Last Name: COZIER Bride First Name: Hazel Bride Residence: Place: Afton Date: 01 Jan 1917 County of Record: Lincoln State: Wyoming Volume: 1 Page: 413

Research Note

Do not get confused this Hazel (**CAZIER**) that married Lloyd Elmo Wescott is the daughter of Samuel and Harriet (**GATES**) Cazier from Utah and not our Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**).

1918 4th marriage of Alfred J. Bellamy and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz

[1] Idaho, Marriage Index, 1842-1996

Name: Mrs. Hazel Schwartz Gender: Female Marriage Date: 24 Dec 1918 Marriage Place:

Bonneville, Idaho, USA Spouse: Alfred J. Ballamy Spouse Gender: Male

[2] Details For Marriage ID#38073

Groom Last Name: BALLAMY Groom First Name: Alfred J. Groom Residence: Bride Last Name: SCHWARTZ Bride First Name: Hazel, Mrs. Bride Residence: Place: Idaho Falls Date:

24 Dec 1918 County of Record: Bonneville State: Idaho Volume: 2 Page: 134

[3] Idaho, County Marriages, 1864-1950 about Alfred Jerred Bellamy

Name: Alfred Jerred Bellamy Marriage Date: 24 Dec 1918 Marriage Place: Bonneville, Idaho

Spouse: Hazel Schwarz FHL Film Number: 1450803

1918-1920 Divorce of Alfred J. Bellamy

Alfred J. Bellamy died between their marriage and 13 February 1920 of the federal census probably in Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Lincoln, Wyoming, United States.

1920 Federal Census

Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Lincoln, Wyoming, United States, page 122b,13 February 1920, line 96, farm 249, family 266

COZIAH, James head w m 61; <u>BELLAMY</u>, <u>Hazel dau w f 27</u>; Harold gson w m 9;

Albert gson w m 5

[James is a widower and was born in Illinois as was his parents, Hazel is a widow and was born in Idaho her parents were born in Illinois, Harold and Albert were born in Wyoming, their father in Iowa, their mother in Idaho. James is a farm laborer.]

1920-1930 Family Move

Widow Hazel (**COZIAH**) Darnell, Bellamy moved from Freedom Precinct, Election District 13, Lincoln, Wyoming, United States to East 37th Street, Ward 14 Block 368, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States between 1920/1930.

1920-1926 Marriage of Delbert Herber Vail and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy

Delbert Heber Vail and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy were married from 1920 to 1926.

1926 Divorce or widowed of Delbert Herber Vail and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail

Delbert Vail and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail were divorced before 1926.

1926-1930 Marriage of Charles G. Stall and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail

Charles G. Stall and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail were married after 1926 to 12 April 1930.

1930 Federal Census

6910 East 37th Street, Ward 14 Block 368, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States, page 160b, 12 April 1930, line 62, house 6910

STALL, Charles G head w m 52; Hazel B wife w f 36; SCHWARTZ, Albert sson w m

16; **DARNELL**, Harold D sson w m 19; **COZIAH**, James boarder w m 76; Joseph H boarder w m 45; **WALTON**, Ethel M boarder w f 40; **VINCENT**, Aden boarder w m 31; **PHILPOTT**, Elmer boarder w m 35; **STALL**, Harold nephew w m 22; **SALING**, Rutherford H boarder 69: Mary E boarder w f 65

[Charles was born in Missouri his parents in Germany; Hazel was born in Idaho her parents in Illinois; Albert was born in Wyoming his father in Pennsylvania his mother in Idaho; Harold was born in Wyoming his father in Iowa his mother in Idaho; Harold Stall the nephew was born in Missouri as was his parents. James Coziah, first married at age 21; Hazel's widowed father was born in Illinois and was his parents. Joseph H.[Harvey] Coziah first married at age 27; Hazel's divorced brother born in Iowa his parents in Illinois, Charles was first married at age 48, Hazel was first married at age 18. Charles owns a boarding house. Albert, Harold D, and Harold are single]

1930 + Divorce or widowed of Charles G. Stall Stoll and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwarz Bellamy Vail Stall

Charles G. Stall and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall were divorced or she was widowed after 1930.

1931-1939 Marriage of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt and Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwarz Bellamy Vail Stall

Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall were married after the divorce date and before 1939, probably in the Kansas City area.

1934 Baptism of Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwarz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt
Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt became a member of
the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and was baptised on 2 September 1934.

1930-1939 Family Move

Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt moved from Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States to 2633 Park Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States.

1939 Death of father; James J. Coziah

James J. Coziah was residing with his daughter; Hazel and son in law; Henry Arthur Pratt at 2633 Park Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri when he died on 28 April 1939. The informant on the death certificate was Hazel Pratt.

1940 Federal Census age

1942 Reminiscing

My dad, Floyd Theodore Pratt says he paid \$10 a month to Art & Hazel Pratt for room & board in 1942. He said they lived on Texas Avenue in St. Louis. He says they lived in a flat.

1942-1959 Family Move

From Texas Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1942-1959 Property Transaction

Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt bought a home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri. United States.

1959 Death of Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwarz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt

Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt died at home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1959.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #43747 As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Hazel B. Pratt December 24, 1959 Crawford 43747 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

[2] The date was obtained from the main office at Green Lawn Cemetery, 8251 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States Phone: (816) 523-2053 Abridged death certificate:

Hazel Belle Pratt white married female born 6 December 1892 in Idaho to James Corian and Eva Mae Ostrander. Housewife to Arthur H. Pratt, Bourbon, MO. Her usual residence was Bourbon, MO. She died on 24 December 1959 at home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. She was buried on 28 December 1959 at Green Lawn Cemetery, 8251 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States. [Where her father was buried] The informant is Arthur H. Pratt, Bourbon, MO.

1959 Burial of Hazel Belle (COZIAH) Darnell Schwartz Bellamy Vail Stall Pratt

Green Lawn Cemetery, 8251 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States Phone: (816) 523-2053

Pratt, Arthur H. 3 January 1902-7 May 1961

Pratt, Hazel Bell January 1893-24 December 1959 [COZIAH]

Coziah, James J. 31 August 1858-28 April 1939 [Hazel's father]

Email from Pat Jameson on 3 May 2009 jamesonpm123@yahoo.com

I met Hazel in California in the 40's while on a visit with my grandmother, Jessie Sizemore. We had lunch at her home and at that time, I believe she was married to a Pratt. They had a lovely home with a basement full of beautiful furniture from all over the world. But that is all I can remember.

She was the first wife of Delbert Vail who became the husband to my grandmother, Jessie Sizemore. Delbert Vail died and years later, my grandmother had her own temple sealing to Joseph Harvey Coziah <u>set aside</u> and was sealed to Delbert Vail on October 24, 1967 in the Oakland Temple. In NFS, it shows someone re-did this sealing March 5, 2008 in the Cardston Temple. Hazel and husband (Bellamy) had 2 children (Harold and Albert).

I do not know when Ellen Katherine Coziah married the second time to Silas E. Wooley (who happens to be related to another member of my family). Her death therefore, would be listed as Ellen Katherine Wooley. She is in one of the census as living as a widow with Eva May Coziah.

Eva May Ostrander was born 19 March 1868 in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois. Eva May Ostrander Coziah died November 14, 1893 in Sun Valley, Idaho.

My notes on Ellen Katherine Price are - Home in 1880 was Wataga, Knox, Illinois per the 1880 Census. Mother and Father were both from New Jersey.

1910 census shows Kate E. married to Silas E. Wooley and her age as 75.

I am 73 years old and have been on 2 missions to Salt Lake City working on the NFS starting in

2002. I teach in the FHC on Sunday and work there on Wednesdays. I work in the Houston Temple Office on Thursday mornings. I am on a Service Mission now out of Salt Lake. I work with Quality Assurance checking the e-mails that Salt Lake missionarys send out to make sure they are kind, helpful and correct. The computer has a knowledge base that can be reached through the Help Center on the front page of NFS. Lets keep in touch and work together on this mutual line. Thanks for your information. Pat

Email to Pat Jameson 2 May 2009 jamesonpm123@yahoo.com

Sister Jameson, my interest in the Ostrander and Coziah families comes from Hazel Belle (**COZIAH**). These two families have been a real pain to research. I have never seen in my 35 years of family history research a family move around so much. Hazel's 6th husband was my Great Uncle; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt.

Concerning the Ostranders they were fun to research up to a point...after Henry P. married a second time. Henry had married first (Angeline (_____) born 1811 in New Jersey listed in the 1850, 1860 census records). They had...6 verified children. Angeline died after the 1860 census and before her husband's second marriage to Ellen Catherine "Kate" (**PRICE**). Now it gets sticky.

When I researched the Ostrander's I did not go into detail because my interest was the Coziah line. But after your inquiry and email I decided to investigate the Ostrander family line. This is where I ran into a problem. I thought that I had gotten my information from New Family Search, which is how I found you are a member and upon investigation did not find the answers there. I thought maybe I found this info from ancestry.com "trees" and did find others but it looks like they copied what I had put in...so at this point I don't know where I made the connection and after investigation I now think that Jeremiah B. & Huldah (**SALTER**) Price (1850, 1860, 1870 census) are not her parents. I am not sure that she is even a Price.

Somewhere, someone gave me that info otherwise I would not have put it into my records. One of the problems with her is she did not know or tell the truth when she was born. In the 1870 census she says she is 35, same for the 1880 census. In the 1900 census she finally states she was born August 1834.

Do you know when she died? I figure between 1917-1920. This is where I lose her in the records. It is imperative that we find her death certificte or death notice in the newspapers in order to verify her parents. After looking at Jeremiah Price's census records in New Jersey, I believe his daughter Ellen A...; who was 5 in 1850 and Ellen 15 in 1860 and he had a dau Annie E. age 25 in the 1870 census which looks like Ellen Annie (**PRICE**) is not our Ellen Catherine "Kate" () that married Henry P. Ostrander around 1866-1868. Getting a copy of Eva May (**OSTRANDER**) Coziah's death certificate or newspaper obit might disclose her mother's maiden name.

If Ellen died between 1917-1920 do you have a copy of her death certificate? Probably in Linclon County, Wyoming.

In the 1910 census she states that she and Silas were married around 1880-1881. This exact date would be helpful. If you are doing the temple work for this family let me know and I will let you do it. If not then I will process these family members.

Enclosed are my notes on the family. I am a Family History Consultant in the Bradenton 2nd Ward and have been researching for 35 years. Let me know what other help you may need. Please answer directly to: floydpratt59@tampabay.rr.com Floyd Pratt M.A.G.I., F.H.C. 2009

Henry next married **Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN)**, daughter of **Joseph Lafayette** "**Fate**" **Coffman** and **Elizabeth Isabelle** "**Izzie**" **(DAVIS)**, from 1960 to 1961. Beulah was born on 23 April 1906 in Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States, died on 4 January 1984 in Taylor, Wayne, Michigan, United States at age 77, and was buried in January 1984 in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, 34205 5 Mile Road, Livonia, Wayne, Michigan, United States.

Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN)

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile of Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 20 June 2010</u>

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

1906 Birthblock of Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) daughter of Joseph Lafayette "Fate" & Elizabeth Isabelle "Izzie" (DAVIS) Coffman

Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) was born in either Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States or Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 23 April 1906.

Date from the 1910 census states she was born 1906 in Missouri.

Date from the 1920 census states she was born 1905 in Missouri.

Date from the 1925 Kansas state census states she was born 1906 in MIssouri.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1911 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born

Date from the obituary states she was born

1900-1910 Family Move

From Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States to Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. Checking the deed records of Crawford and Phelps counties might shed some light as to when they arrived and/or departed from those counties.

1907 Childbirth of brother; Daniel "Dan" Coffman

Daniel Coffman was born in either Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States or Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1907.

1910 Childbirth of sister; Clara (COFFMAN)

Clara (**COFFMAN**) was born in Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in March 1910.

1910 Federal Census age 4

Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 44a, 2 May 1910, line 1, house 218, family 222

COFFMAN, Fayette head w m 49; Isabelle wife w f 32; Pearl dau w f 19; Lafy son w m 12;

Anna dau w f 10; Ralph son w m 7; Beulah dau w f 4; Daniel son w m 3; Clara dau w f 3mos; Daniel brother w m 51

[All born in Missouri including their parents. They have been married 21 years and 10 children have been born and 7 are living. This is both their first marriage. Fayette is a miner at the iron works and they are renting.]

1910 Childbirth of sister; Edith (COFFMAN)

Edith (**COFFMAN**) was born in Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 3 October 1910 and died 25 December 1910.

1910 Death of mother; Elizabeth Isabelle "Izzie" (DAVIS) Coffman

Elizabeth Isabelle "Izzie" (**DAVIS**) Coffman died in Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 4 October 1910. It appears she died from childbirth complications.

1920 Federal Census age 14

Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Name:Beula M Coffman [Beula M Caffman] [Beula Coffman] Home in 1920:Courtois, Crawford, Missouri Age:15 Estimated birth year:abt 1905 Birthplace:Missouri Relation to Head of House:Hired Girl Father's Birth Place:Missouri Mother's Birth Place:Missouri Marital Status:Single Race:White Sex:Female Able to read:Yes Able to Write:Yes WESTOVER, Giles B. head wm 63; Ella R. wife w f 55; COFFMAN, Beula M. hired girl w f 15

Research Note

It appears all of Beulah's marriages took place after 1920.

1921-1922 Marriage of James Thomas Beauton and Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN)

1923 Childbirth of son; Earl Beauten

1925 Childbirth of son; Richard Beauten

1927 Childbirth of son; James Beauten

1928 Childbirth of son; William Beauten

1930 Federal Census age 24

Detroit, Wayne, Michigan, United States, page 6a, 5 April 1930, line **BEUTON**, James head w m 32; <u>Beulah wife w f 24</u>; Earl sonw m 7; Richard son w m 5; James son w m 3; William son w m 1yr 8mos

1930 Childbirth of son; Harold Beauten

1931 Childbirth of daughter; Marjorie (BEAUTEN)

1930-1934 Divorce of James Thomas Beauten and Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton

<u>1934-1935 Marriage of Charles Spoel and Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton</u>
Charles Spoel and Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton were married after her divorce

from James Thomas Beauten crica 1930-1933 and before the birth of her daughter; Beverly (**SPOEL**) in 1935.

1935 Residency in Detroit, Wayne, Michigan, United States

1940 Federal Census

R-2 Hurin Street, Taylor, Wayne, Michigan

SPOEL, Beulah head w f 34; Earl son w m 17; Richard son w m 16; James son w m 13; William son w m 11; Harold son w m 10; Beverly dau w f 5; Joyce dau w f 2; Charlotte dau w f 1; Gertrude dau w f 11; Marjorie dau w f 9

Research Note

From the 1930 census we know that Earl, Richard, James and William are Beuten children from Beulah's previous marriage to James Thomas Beauten. Therefore, it appears that son Harold and maybe Gertrude and Marjorie may have also been Beauten children. If this is true, then James and Beulah were divorced after 1931 and before 1934. Since Beverly was born in 1935, this would indicate that Charles Spoel and Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) Beauten were married 1933-1935. Giving the children your present spouse's surname was customary in mixed families. Spouse; Charles Spoel is in the 1940 census as an inmate in the Eloise Hospital, 30763 Michigan Avenue, Nankin, Wayne County, Michigan.

1940 Death of spouse; Charles Spoel

Charles Spoel died in Eloise Hospital, 30763 Michigan Avenue, Nankin, Wayne County, Michigan in 1940.

1940-1950 Marriage of Kenneth Archibald Cross and Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton Spoel

Kenneth Archibald Cross and Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) Beauton Spoel were married after the death of Charles Spoel in 1940 and before her marriage to Henry Arthur Pratt in 1960.

Childbirth of Robert "Bobby" Cross

1960-1961 Marriage of Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt and Mrs. Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton Spoel Cross

Henry Arthur Pratt or Arthur Henry Pratt and Mrs. Beulah Cross from Detroit, Michigan were married 1960-1961.

Research Note

After their marriage Arthur and Beulah lived in Bourbon ion the house that Athur had bought when he was married to Hazel (**COZIAH**) Pratt.

1961 Death of spouse; Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt

Henry Arthur "Art" Pratt died in Saint Lukes Hospital, 5535 Delmar Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States on 7 May 1961.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Death Certificate, State File#61-019377.

Arthur Henry Pratt white married male born 3 January 1902 in Bourbon, Missouri to Winslow Pratt and Laura Missey. He was a retired mechanic from Anderson Motor Service. His usual residence was Bourbon, Crawford County, Missouri. He died at Saint Lukes Hospital, 5535 Delmar Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States on 7 May 1961 and was removed on 7

May 1961 to the Green Lawn Cemetery, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri. His wife's name was Beulah[no last name]. The informant was Arthur H. Pratt, Bourbon, Missouri. [Evidently they took this information from his admittance papers prior to his death.]

<u>After 1961 Marriage of Clifford D. James and Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton Spoel</u> Cross Pratt

1973 Death of spouse; Clifford D. James

Clifford D. James died in Taylor, Wayne, Michigan, United States May 1973.

1975 Death of ex-spouse; Kenneth Archibald Cross

Kenneth Archibald Cross died in Van Buren, Wayne, Michigan, United States on 6 August 1975.

1984 Death of Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton Spoel Cross Pratt James

Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**) Beauton Spoel Cross Pratt James died in Taylor, Wayne, Michigan, United States on 4 January 1984.

[1] Michigan Deaths, 1971-1996

Name:Beulah T James Birth Date:23 April 1906 Death Date:4 January 1984 Gender:Female Residence:Taylor, Wayne, Michigan Place of Death:Taylor, Wayne, Michigan

1984 Burial of Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) Beauton Spoel Cross Pratt James

Parkview Memorial Cemetery, 34205 5 Mile Road, Livonia, Wayne, Michigan, United States James, Clifford D. 1900-1973

James, Beulah T. 1906-[no date]

Social Security Death Index

Name:Beulah James SSN:371-22-5027 Last Residence:48180 Taylor, Wayne, Michigan, United States of America Born:23 Apr 1906 Died:Jan 1984 State (Year) SSN issued:Michigan (Before 1951)

Find a Grave #7106224

Birth: Apr. 23, 1906 Steelville, Crawford County, Missouri, USA Death: Jan. 4, 1984 Taylor, Wayne County

Michigan, USA Beulah married at least 5 times. 1st w/o James C. BEAUTON, 2nd Charles SPOEL, 3rd Kenneth CROSS, 4th Arthur Henry PRATT, 5th Clifford D. JAMES. She is the d/o Joseph Lafayette "Fate" COFFMAN & Isabelle DAVIS. [This information was put in by Celina (Jack) Pearson]

Email sent to Margaret/Marti on 6 June 2010

Dear mim71651, I think I may have connected new information on her. Who in your research circles knows the most information about her history? Floyd Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. floydpratt59 @verizon.net

Email from Margaret/Marti on 6 June 2010

Hi Floyd, it's Marti...I know the most out of anyone left in the family!...I was very close to ALL of my Grand Aunts & Uncles Myrtle, Annie, Lafayette Joseph, Beulah & Dan....I was raised as an only child, so I got alot of attention! As far as Aunt Beulah, she was married about 5-6 times!!...I used to run round with her son Bobby Cross and his wife....She was married last to

a guy last name of James...I remember one of husbands died just as soon as they were married! One their honeymoon I think? Anyway, everyone lived up here in Michigan other than Annie and later on Uncle Lafe went down to Florida were he died and my GrMa Pearl died down In Litchfield,Illinois on 8/13/1973

Research Note

Matri is talking about Art Pratt but he didn't die on their honeymoon. Art and Hazel lived in Bourbon, Missouri in the house that Art owned. Hazel was known by the community. FTP

Email sent to Margaret/Marti on 6 June 2010

Marti are you same as Margaret at SmartiMarti716@aol.com? Did you happen to get a listing of those husband's with marriage dates and location? I believe I have one more to add to the list. Floyd

Email from Margaret/Marti on 6 June 2010

Yes I'm The same!...I'd have to ask Bobby Cross, Beaulah's son to get all of her husbands names...The one in Kansas Richard Croos was Bobby's dad..I still have a lot packed up from our move from Livonia,MI to Brighton,MI...My mom isn't doing well (she's dwindling) and I've been ill as well...But the only siblings that had children were Jessie,GrMa Pearl,Beaulah. Myrtle,Lafayette,Annie & Daniel didn't. I think that Dan may have had a son but I was so young when he died??

Email sent to Margaret/Marti on 6 June 2010

Yes Marti if you could contact Bobby Cross for that information, I believe Beulah married my greatuncle Henry Arthur Pratt. Find out from him any marriage dates or locations. For instance I can't find Beulah in the 1930 census. Did she marry Richard Cross before the 1930 census or after? If my hunch is correct, this will fill in a mystery and tie up a lose end. Floyd

Email sent to Linda Alderson alderson linda@yahoo.com on 6 June 2010

From: FloydPratt59 <floydpratt59@verizon.net>

Subject: Looking for more information about

To: "LindaAlderson33" <alderson_linda@yahoo.com>

Date: Sunday, June 6, 2010, 4:01 PM

Dear Linda Alderson, I think I may have connected new information on Beulah Trassy (**COFFMAN**). Who in your research circles knows the most information about her history? Floyd Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

floydpratt59@verizon.net

Email sent from Linda Alderson alderson linda@yahoo.com on 6 June 2010 you do!

Email sent to Margaret/Marti on 7 June 2010

Marti, You profess to know so much about his family how can you miss all the known children? What about their son; Ralph who apparently died before the 1920 census because I can't find anything about him?

1903 Childbirth of son; Ralph Coffman

Ralph Coffman was born in either Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States or Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1903.

1906 Childbirth of daughter; Beulah (COFFMAN)

Beulah (**COFFMAN**) was born in either Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States or Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1906.

1907 Childbirth of son; Daniel "Dan" Coffman

Daniel Coffman was born in either Meramec Twp, Phelps, Missouri, United States or Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1907.

1910 Childbirth of daughter; Clara (COFFMAN)

Clara (**COFFMAN**) was born in Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in March 1910.

1910 Federal Census

Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 44a, 2 May 1910, line 1, house 218, family 222

COFFMAN, Fayette head w m 49; Isabelle wife w f 32; Pearl dau w f 19; Lafy son w m 12; Anna dau w f 10; **Ralph son w m 7**; Beulah dau w f 4; Daniel son w m 3; Clara dau w f 3mos; Daniel brother w m 51

[All born in Missouri including their parents. They have been married 21 years and <u>10</u> <u>children</u> have been born and <u>7 are living</u>. This is both their first marriage. Fayette is a miner at the iron works and they are renting.]

Also, If you notice that Isabelle says she has had 3 children die before the 1910 census date of 2 May 1910. I can not identify any who did not make it past 1910. Eula died in 1990.

Please answer my questions when I write to you to ask. You are replying and missing some of my questions.

I am a professional genealogist and have been researching the families in the Franklin, Crawford and Washington Counties for 35 years...so I do my homework before I make claims and statements. I have many rare research books to consult and I use all of my resources to dig out the details. You should be thankful that I am taking an interest in the Coffman family and allied lines and instead of fighting me on this material you should be assisting me so we both can learn.

I am tackling the Coffmans and Richardson families in honor and respect to my Great Aunt Eula. I loved her dearly and in her latter years after the 1980's she was confined to a wheelchair and could not get around much...but she was a storehouse of family history and knew everything about everyone around Bourbon.

Of course, when your Coffmans moved from Crawford to Michigan, everyone lost track.

- [1] Are you a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints?
- [2] Who was the first group to move to Michigan and when did the others follow?
- [3] What took them to Michigan?
- [4] Have you checked the death certificates for Joseph Lafayette "Fate" Coffman after 1930 in Michigan?

Floyd

Email sent to Celina Pearson 8 June 2010

From: Floyd Pratt [mailto:floydpratt59@verizon.net]

Sent: Tuesday, June 08, 2010 7:54 PM

To: celinaj@verizon.net

Subject: Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN)

Dear Celina, Saw your memorial on Beulah Trassy (COFFMAN) at Parkview Memorial

Cemetery, 34205 5 Mile Road, Livonia, Wayne, Michigan, United States

Where did you get that information about her husband's? Are you related to her? Floyd Pratt Henry Arthur Pratt is my great uncle.

floydpratt59@verizon.net

Email from Margaret/Marti 10 June 2010

Floyd....I have ALL of the children on my tree, So I dont know what your trying to say??...The kids were Jessie,Myrtle,Pearl,Annie,J.Lafayette,Beulah,Daniel & baby Edith....WHOEVER, put others in their trees DO NOT know what in the heck they are doing...I KNEW each and everyone VERY well, other than Jessie & Edith because Edith was a baby at time of death and Jessie was before mine & mom's time...I have verified ALL members within my GrMa Pearls journals, Aunt Oma (prior to death, and my cousin Shirley...These are direct family members of my mother....I think I know who is who.....I have Not missed the known children....And is Ralph....I sure didn't enter that name in my tree....Check out whose tree you looked at...It sure wasn't mine!!...Mine is Compton-Coffman....Also, I do know that some lady has a tree and threw a bunch of people in it from Texas I believe??

Also the other day you wrote that all kids were born in Courtois, Mo and that's WRONG...I have my GrMa Pearls stuff and she, Myrtle, Annie, Lafe, Beulah & Dan were born in Meramec, Phelps, MO....So PLEASE dont try and tell me what I'm doing wrong....I'm totally correct... And Beulah is Bobby Cross's mother, the one you think might have been married to your uncle? Pratt?? She was married 5-6 times...I know of Cross & James

Research Note

Marti's research is full of holes. She was supposed to know Richard's son; Bobby Cross, but she has now put in her tree that Bobby's father was Kenneth Archibald Cross born 21 November 1906 at Switz City, Greene, Indiana, United States and died 6 August 1975 in Belleville, Wayne, Michigan, United States.

After checking out the details, I found records in conflict with her statements, so I am a little afraid of this information because two days ago, that information was not in her tree, now it shows up without explanation. She failed to list a marriage date and with her history of conflicting information it is hard to determine who really was Beulah's 3 rd husband; Richard Cross of Kansas or Kenneth Cross of Indiana.

Therefore, until further evidence can be documented I am not convinced who her Cross husband was. Finding the marriage license would prove Beulah and Kenneth Cross' relationship.

Email from Celina Pearson celinai@verizon.net 20 June 2010

Hi Floyd, Beulah is my great grandmother who married quite a few times after the divorce from my great grandfather who was her first husband (James Beauton). Henry Pratt was someone she must have met when she returned to Missouri sometime in the mid to late 50's. not much was known of him and it wasn't until their marriage record surfaced that it raised quite a few questions. Do you know of anything about their short marriage together? Any stories? We don't know what ended the marriage to Henry Pratt. When did he die and where? Beulah was born in Steelville, Crawford Co., Missouri and had quite a disrupted childhood. Her mother died when she was just 4 years old and it was up to her father and older siblings to raise her. At the age of 14 she married her first husband in St. Louis, MO and then auto boom hit in detroit during the early 1920's. She moved to detroit with her first husband so that he could find work in the auto factory. Celina

FAG#+76971097 by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

ancestry.com

KissinCuzzins Simply Amazing!: My word, did the earth shake? When I was contacted back in 2010 by you RE: my Grand Aunt Beulah T. Coffman-Beauten-Spoel-Pratt-Cross-James (ewww that's a lot!)...I was "the missing link"...Even Beaulah's GGD Celina had only seen her twice in life (she's the Beauten GGD) and she also contacted me, not realizing that my GrMa "Pearl Lillian "June" Coffman was Beulah's older sister. Once again, I did not have very little to contribute, I had A LOT, for all other immediate family members are/were deceased. Knowing "all" of my GGMA Izzie Davis's children personally, other than Jessie Coffman...I grew up around them...I was the road map! Once again, I myself have been suffering with Cancer, etc, was in the midst of loosing my Mother, but can not get an apology...just slammed in your 34th (or so) book ??? Saying that I did not have credible, first hand info ?? It's simply amazing that you have taken such an avid interest in the

Coffman, Davis, Burns.. Comptons... Unfortunately you GGR Uncle had "only" just married Aunt Beulah & died within a very short time after the honeymoon. He was the only husband that did not have children with Beulah.

Because of matters like this, I have now made my tree private with no member contact! 10 May 2012•Flag•Hide

7. Ruth Jane (PRATT) (Henry Winslow "Win" 1) was born on 8 August 1904 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 26 September 1961 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 57, and was buried on 29 September 1961 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.



Ruth Jane Pratt

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Ruth Jane (PRATT) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2013

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1904 Birthblock for Ruth Jane (PRATT) daughter of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Ruth Jane (PRATT) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 August 1904.

Date from the 1910 census states she was born 1904 in Missouri.

Date from the 1920 census states she was born 1904 in Missouri.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1905 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states she was born

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born 1904.

Date from the SSDI states she was born 8 August 1904

Date from the obituary states she was born

1904-1907 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1907 Childbirth of sister; Mary Senter (PRATT)

Mary Senter (**PRATT**) was born 12 June 1907 at Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1910 Federal Census age 6

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242, family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; Jessie L. son w m 15; Albert P. son w m 13; Virgil R. son w m 9; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. This is their first marriage and they have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single. Living a few doors down from John & Susan (WEST) Studdard family. Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey, Laura's father. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and son-in-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C. F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1911 Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

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Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

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Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section:

C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.

1911 Childbirth of son; Orville Hayes Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt was born 17 December 1911 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1912 Death of grandfather; Alxander R. Pratt

[1] Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died either the early part of 1912 (Jan-Mar) or the latter (Oct-Dec) according to his grandson, Fred Callahan. The roads were icy and they could not take his body back to Sullivan so they buried him the Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. He died at his daughter's residence Thomas Livey & polina (PRATT) Callahan's home near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.
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1920 Federal Census age 16

Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 184, 10 January 1920, line, house 64, family

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1920-1921 Family Move

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1921-1922 Family Move

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1928-1930 Family Move

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1930 Federal Census age 26

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 208b, 10 April 1930, line house 57, **GRADDY**, Allen R. head w m 42; Ruth J. wife w f 25; Dorothy M. dau w f 9; Mildred O. dau w f 8; William A. son w m 5; Harold L. son w m 3.7mos; Hilda M. dau w f 3.7mos; James E. son w m 1.2mos;

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Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 August 1930.

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1940 Federal Census age 36

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri

GRADDY, R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13; James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; Benjamin L. son w m 7; Donald E. son w m 6; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2

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Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of son; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1961 Death of Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

- [1] Headstone states she died 1961.
- [2] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #61-032314 As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Ruth Jane Graddy September 26, 1961 Crawford 32314 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

1961 Burial of Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States Graddy, Rufus Allen 1887-1967 Pvt Missouri Co C 110 Engineers WWI April 30, 1887 -September 14, 1967 Graddy, Ruth Jane 1904-1961

Find A Grave Memorial# 135647535 Created by: Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H....Record added: Sep 09, 2014

Ruth Jane Pratt Graddy Birth: Aug. 8, 1904 Bourbon Crawford County Missouri, USA Death: Sep. 26, 1961 Bourbon Crawford County Missouri, USA Burial: Lea Cemetery Leasburg Crawford County Missouri, USA

Research Note

My above FAG entry no longer exists. When I created the entry I gave a full Cradle to Grave Profile. I removed my original entry due to unethical practices by the Find A Grave administration. Read my report, "Why I STILL can no longer support www.findagrave.com" for the details.

For your information, I have severed my relationship with the Find A Grave organization. I have asked them to remove all memorials, flowers and any references relating or mentioning my account. I have had an uneasy relationship with their administration for the last 5 years and in my opinion, they have lost faith and violated the public trust.

Ruth married **Rufus Allen Graddy**, son of **Bradley Van Buren Grady** and **Matilda "Tilda" Catherine (HENDRICKS)**, on 20 October 1919 in Union, Union Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States. Rufus was born on 30 April 1887 in Steelville, Meramec Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 16 September 1967 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States at age 80, and was buried in September 1967 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Rufus Allen Graddy by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C.,</u> <u>M.A.G.I. 2013</u>

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help the serious researcher continue in their thirst for family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

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Date from 1910 census states he was born in

Date from 1918 World War I Draft Registration states he was born 30 April 1887.

Date from 1920 census states he was born in 1888 in Missouri.

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Date from 1940 census states he was born in

Date from headstone states he was born 30 April 1887.

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Birthplace

According to his World War I Draft Registration #24-3-4A taken on 7 June 1917, he states his birthplace to be Steelville, MO.

1889 Childbirth of brother; Louis Whitfield "Whit" Graddy

Louis Whitfield "Whit" Graddy was born near Steelville, Meramec Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 April 1889.

1891 Childbirth of sister; Celestia "Lessie" (GRADDY)

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1895 Childbirth of sister: (GRADDY)

_____ (**GRADDY**) was born and died near Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 13 January 1897.

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William Bryant Graddy was born near Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 3 May 1898 and died 25 July 1899.

1898 Family Move

From near Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States first to Shannon County, Missouri then to Arkansas and back to Pendleton Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States by the 1900 census date.

1900 Federal Census age 13

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[Van Buren was born in Kentucky and his father in North Carolina his mother in Kentucky. Matilda was born in Missouri as was her parents and children. They have been married for 13 years and she has had 7 children born and 5 are living.]

1900-1901 Family Move

From Pendleton Twp, Saint Francois, Missouri, United States to near Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1901 Childbirth of sister: Martha Ellen (GRADDY)

Martha Ellen (**GRADDY**) was born near Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 14 July 1901 and died on 27 September 1903.

1902 Newspaper

THE DEMOCRAT, Steelville, Crawford County, MO, Friday, October 10, 1902 **GRADY, INFANT**

St. James Journal: "Mister, I believe our baby is dead." These words from a 7-year-old boy startled light operator Martin in the West Plains depot Friday night. He looked through his ticket window and saw in the waiting room a man and six children spending the night in the depot for

lack of money to go to a hotel. The operator went out and found a 14-year-old girl holding a dead baby. Hackmen, railroad men and a few people waiting for a train made up a collection and sent the man and his five children to a hotel. The county took charge of the dead child. The man was VanBuren Grady, who was trying to get to relatives in Crawford county from Arkansas. Mrs. Grady died two weeks ago. Mr. Grady was for many years a familiar figure around Bourbon where he lived until about 6 years ago when he went to Shannon county and it seems from there on down to Arkansas.

[The 7 years old boy was probably Lewis Whitfield "Whit" Graddy, the 14 year old girl was probably Celeste or Charity Graddy, unknown who the baby may have been. Evidently there was another child born not listed here because we do not have a child dying in October 1902 in the family records.]

1902 Death of mother; Matilda "Tilda" Catherine (HENDRICKS) Graddy

Matilda "Tilda" Catherine (**HENDRICKS**) Graddy died near Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 20 September 1902. Date was given to me by other researchers do not know the origin.

1910 Federal Census age 23

1911 Death of father; Bradley Van Buren Graddy

Bradley Van Buren Graddy died near Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 25 March 1911.

1918 World War I Draft Registration

World War I Draft Registration File #24-3-4A

Rufes Alen Graddy, age 30 living in Steelville, MO. He is a natural born citizen born 30 April 1887 in Steelville, MO. He is a single white male whose occupation is farming. He is medium height with a medium build with blue eyes and dark brown hair. World War I, Pvt. Co C 110 Engineers.

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Rufus A. Graddy and Ruth Jane Pratt were married on 20 October 1919, in Union, Union Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States. Laura Pratt, mother of Ruth Jane Pratt gives her consent to the marriage.

1920 Federal Census age 33

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From Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Scotia, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1921 Childbirth of daughter; Dorothy Mae (GRADDY)

Dorothy Mae (GRADDY) was born in Scotia, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United

States on 20 March 1921.

1921-1922 Family Move

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[All born in Missouri as were their parents.

1930 Childbirth of daughter; Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)

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Should be noted that the children all claim to have been born in Bourbon. However, as of April 1930 they were living in Liberty Township. How long they stayed in Liberty Township is unknown but it appears they moved to Bourbon after 1940. The rest of the children born after this date claim to have been born in Bourbon.

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1940 Federal Census age 53

Liberty Towbship, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page, house 21

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Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

- [1] Date from headstone states he died 14 September 1967.
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Name:Rufus Graddy SSN:495-12-8650 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:30 Apr 1887 Died:Sep 1967 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

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Graddy, Ruth Jane 1904-1961

Chronological History of Rufus Allen Graddy

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1900 Jun 7 Rufus Allen Graddy census in Pendleton Twsp., St. Francois Co., MO.

1917-1919 Rufus Allen Graddy serves in the Army in WWI.

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1940 census

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1950 census

1960 census

1967 Sep 14 Rufus Allen Graddy died in St. Louis, MO.

Find A Grave Memorial# 22323061 Created by: Barbara Record added: Oct 20, 2007

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From Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Scotia, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1921 Childbirth of daughter; Dorothy Mae (GRADDY)

Dorothy Mae (GRADDY) was born in Scotia, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 20 March 1921.

1921-1922 Family Move

From Scotia, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1922 Childbirth of daughter; Mildred Opal (GRADDY)

Mildred Opal (GRADDY) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 5 April 1922.

1923 Childbirth of son; William "Bill" Allen Graddy

William "Bill" Allen Graddy was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 August 1924.

1926 Childbirth of son; Harold Lee Graddy (twins)

Harold Lee Graddy was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 15 November 1926.

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1930 Federal Census

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1930 Childbirth of daughter; Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)

Evelyn Laura (GRADDY) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 August 1930.

Location Note

Should be noted that the children all claim to have been born in Bourbon. However, as of April 1930 they were living in Liberty Township. How long they stayed in Liberty Township is unknown. The rest of the children born after this date claim to have been born in Bourbon.

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1961 Death of spouse; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967. Date from headstone states he died 14 September 1967.

1967 Burial of Rufus Allen Graddy

Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Graddy, Rufus Allen 1887-1967 Pvt Missouri Co C 110 Engineers WWI April 30, 1887 - September 14, 1967

Graddy, Ruth Jane 1904-1961

Social Security Death Index

Name:Rufus Graddy SSN:495-12-8650 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:30 Apr 1887 Died:Sep 1967 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

(bio by: Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.C., M.A.G.I.) Burial: Lea Cemetery Leasburg Crawford County Missouri, USA

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Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Dorothy Mae (GRADDY) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2013

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Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1921 in Missouri.

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Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born 20 March 1921

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Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri

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Farm:Yes Inferred Residence in 1935:Liberty, Crawford, Missouri Residence in 1935:Same House Sheet Number:2A Number of Household in Order of Visitation:21 Occupation:Laborer Industry:W P A Road Construction House Owned or Rented:Rented Value of Home or Monthly Rental if Rented:2 Attended School or College:No Highest Grade Completed:Elementary school, 4th grade Duration of Unemployment:13 Class of Worker:Wage or salary worker in Government work Weeks Worked in 1939:39 Income:15 Income Other Sources:Yes

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2006 Death of spouse; Ernest Otha Whitaker

Ernest Otha Whitaker died in Redwood, Warren, Mississippi, United States on 20 July 2006.

2009 Death of Dorothy Mae (GRADDY) Whitaker

Dorothy Mae (**GRADDY**) Whitaker died in Tallulah, Madison Parish, Louisianna, United States on 1 November 2009.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Dorothy M. Whitaker SSN:487-26-4147 Last Residence:39156 Redwood, Warren, Mississippi, United States of America Born:20 March 1921 Died:1 November 2009 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

United States Obituary Collection (ancestry.com)

Name of Deceased:Dorothy Graddy Whitaker Gender:F (Female) Death Date:1 Nov 2009 Death Place:Tallulah Obituary Date:4 Nov 2009 Newspaper Title:Vicksburg Post Newspaper Location:Vicksburg, MS, USA Residence (at time of death):Redwood Spouse's name:Ernest Parents' Names:Rufus and Ruth Pratt Graddy Childrens' Names:Stanley Whitaker, Clarence Whitaker and Wife Betty Eich, All of Vicksburg, and Timothy Whitaker and Wife Melba of Lakeland, Fla Siblings' Names:Betty Mayberry, Evelyn Schmidt and Hilda Phillips; Donald Graddy of Geiserville, Calif, and Ed Graddy, Dean Graddy and Ronald Graddy, All of Bourbon; Mildred Hurst of Oklahoma City, Okla, and Hazel Pennock of Creve Coeur, III; William Number of Great-grandchildren:4

Obituary from Find-a-Grave

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Mrs. Whitaker was born in Bourbon, Mo., to the late Rufus and Ruth Pratt Graddy. She

had been a resident of Redwood for over 60 years. She was a member of the Redwood United Methodist Church. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Ernest O. "Buddy" Whitaker; four brothers, William "Bill" Graddy, Harold Graddy, Cecil Graddy and Benjamin Graddy; and three sisters, Betty Mayberry, Evelyn Schmidt and Hilda Phillips. She is survived by three sons, Stanley Whitaker, Clarence Whitaker and wife Betty Eich, all of Vicksburg, and Timothy Whitaker and wife Melba of Lakeland, Fla.; three grandsons, Wesley Whitaker and wife Sherry of Redwood, Scott Whitaker and wife Michelle of Onley, Va., and Eric Whitaker of Sarasota, Fla.; four great-grandchildren, Lauren Whitaker, Bryson Whitaker, Thor Whitaker and Ivan Whitaker; four brothers, Donald Graddy of Geiserville, Calif., and Ed Graddy, Dean Graddy and Ronald Graddy, all of Bourbon: and two sisters, Mildred Hurst of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Hazel Pennock of Creve Coeur, III. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, 2009, at Fisher Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Barbara Hite of Redwood United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow at Green Acres Memorial Park. Visitation will be from 5 until 7 tonight at the funeral home. Pallbearers will be Bubba Hanks, Jack Pace, Tommy Lee, Johnny Lee, Doug Jeter and Bradley Lewis. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Redwood United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 26, Redwood, MS 39156.

2009 Burial of Dorothy Mae (GRADDY) Whitaker

Green Acres Memorial Park, Vicksburg, Warren, Mississippi, United States

Find A Grave Memorial# 43945663 Created by: Lady in Red Record added: Nov 05, 2009

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Feedback to Family History Center 28 October 2011 Case#2334682

My name is Floyd Thomas Pratt, 941-758-9273 I am a Family History Consultant for the Bradenton, Florida 2nd Ward. My email is floydpratt59@tampabay.rr.com. I have run across a problem involving the following PID#LCPH-6SR. For Dorothy Mae (**GRADDY**) Whitaker born 20 March 1921 in Scotia, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States (she told me this personally) and died on 1 November 2009 at Tallulah, Madison Parish, Louisianna, United States.

I was the originator of this information in the New Family Search input. Dorothy was not a member. When I began checking her temple ordinances I discovered that her temple ordinances were all done at the Columbia South Carolina Temple...she was Baptised on 24 July 2009, Confirmed on 25 July 2009, Initiatory on 7 August 2009, Endowed on 19 September 2009 and sealed to parents on 19 September 2009.

However, according to her obituary she died on 1 November 2009, several months after these ordinances were performed! Here is a copy of her obituary and social security index from ancestry.com. United States Obituary Collection (ancestry.com) Name of Deceased:Dorothy Graddy Whitaker Gender:F (Female) Death Date:1 Nov 2009 Death Place: Tallulah Obituary Date: 4 Nov 2009 Newspaper Title: Vicksburg Post Newspaper Location: Vicksburg, MS, USA Residence (at time of death): Redwood Spouse's name: Ernest Parents' Names: Rufus and Ruth Pratt Graddy Childrens' Names: Stanley Whitaker, Clarence Whitaker and Wife Betty Eich, All of Vicksburg, and Timothy Whitaker and Wife Melba of Lakeland, Fla Siblings' Names: Betty Mayberry, Evelyn Schmidt and Hilda Phillips; Donald Graddy of Geiserville, Calif, and Ed Graddy, Dean Graddy and Ronald Graddy, All of Bourbon; Mildred Hurst of Oklahoma City, Okla, and Hazel Pennock of Creve Coeur, III; William Number of Great-grandchildren: 4 Social Security Death Index Name:Dorothy M. Whitaker SSN:487-26-4147 Last Residence:39156 Redwood. Warren, Mississippi, United States of America Born: 20 March 1921 Died: 1 November 2009 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951) Listed under her PID#LCPH-6SR is another Dorothy Graddy which states the contributor information was from LDS Church Temple Records. I am wondering if NFS has commingled these two woman's records and have Dorothy Mae Graddy's records whose parents are Rufus Allen & Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy mixed up with the other Dorothy Graddy

If Dorothy Mae (**GRADDY**) Whitaker had joined the church as a member her baptism information would not have shown a temple and she would have had to wait a year before she could have been sealed to her parents. Therefore, for her temple ordinances to have been performed in July, August and September in the same year prior to her death date leads one to believe there may be a mix up somewhere. Any help that you can provide will be greatly appreciated. Bro. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C. floydpratt59@tampabay.rr.com 941-758-9273

Follow-up: the above incorrect ordinances have been removed and the correct ordinances were performed in 2011.

PID#LCGX-TRJ whose parents are Jasper & Ethel (WHITE) Graddy?

Dorothy married **Ernest Otha "Buddy" Whitaker,** son of **Clarence Lincoln Whitaker Jr.** and **Cora Sue (HALL),** on 1 April 1942 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States. Ernest was born on 12 April 1921 in Redwood, Warren, Mississippi, United States and died on 20 July 2006 in Redwood, Warren, Mississippi, United States at age 85.

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Date from the 1930 census states he was born 1922 in Mississippi.

Date from the 1940 census states he was born 1922 in Mississippi.

Date from the WWII military involvement states he was born 1921

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born

Date from the SSDI states he was born 12 April 1921.

Date from the obituary states he was born

1921-1923 Family Move

From Redwood, Warren, Mississippi, United States to Jonesville, La Salle, Lousiana, United States

1923 Childbirth of sister; Ione Louise (WHITAKER)

Ione Louise (WHITAKER) was born in Jonesville, La Salle, Lousiana, United States on 23 August 1923.

1925 Childbirth of sister; Gussie Lorene (WHITAKER)

Gussie Lorene (WHITAKER) was born in Jonesville, La Salle, Lousiana, United States on 24 December 1925.

1930 Federal Census age 9

Beat 1, Warren, Mississippi, United States, page

Name:Ernest O Whiteker Age:8 Estimated birth year:abt 1922 Relation to Head of House:Son Father's Name:Clema L Mother's Name:Cora S Race:White

WHITAKER, Clema L. head w m 43; Cora S. wife w f 42; Clint R. son w m 20; Felix W. son w m 14; Lester B. son w m 11; <u>Ernest O. son w m 8</u>; Ione L. dau w f 6; Gussie L. dau 4yrs 2mos

1935 Residency in Warren, Mississippi, United States

1940 Federal Census age 19

Warren, Mississippi, United States

WHITAKER, Clarence head w m 53; Cora wife w f 52; Lester son w m 21; Ernest son w m 18; Ione dau w f 16; Gussie dau w f 14; CHAPMAN, Faye w f 10

1940 U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name:Ernest O Whitaker Birth Year:1921 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Mississippi State of Residence:Mississippi County or City:Warren Enlistment Date:10 Jul 1940 Enlistment State:Mississippi Enlistment City:Jackson Branch:Quartermaster Corps Grade:Private Grade Code:Private Term of Enlistment:Enlistment for the Philippine Department Component:Regular Army (including Officers, Nurses, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted Men) Source:Civil Life Education:1 year of high school Civil Occupation:Semiskilled chauffeurs and drivers, bus, taxi, truck, and tractor Marital Status:Single, without dependents Height:71 Weight:146

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1854-1855 Marriage of Allie Cam Hurst and Mildred Opal (GRADDY)

Allie Cam Hurst and Mildred Opal (**GRADDY**) were married in Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States circe 1954-1955.

1956 Childbirth of son: Thomas Allie Hurst

Thomas Allie Hurst was born in Saint Louis (county), Missouri, United States on 25 October 1956.

1959 Childbirth of daughter; Mildred Ann (HURST)

Mildred Ann (HURST) was born in ??? on 10 September 1959.

1961 Childbirth of son; Terry Allen Hurst

Terry Allen Hurst was born in ??? on 22 April 1961.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Mildred O Hurst Birth Date:5 Apr 1922 Address:1507 Swbinkley St City:Oklahoma City State:OK Zip Code:73119

1998 Death of spouse; Allie Cam Hurst

Allie Cam Hurst died in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Oklahoma, United States on 4 October 1998.

Mildred married **Allie Cam Hurst**, son of **John Quincy Adams Hurst** and **Dovie Lee (CUPPLES)**, in 1954-1955 in Saint Louis County, Missouri, United States. Allie was born on 11 July 1924 in Henderson, Madison, Tennessee, United States, died on 4 October 1998 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Oklahoma, United States at age 74, and was buried in October 1998 in Sunny Lane Cemetery, 3900 SE 29th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, United States.

1924 Birthblock of Allie Cam Hurst son of John Quincy Adams and Dovie Lee (CUPPLES) Hurst

Allie Cam Hurst was born in Henderson, Madison, Tennessee, United States on 11 July 1924.

Date from the 1930 Federal Census states he was born 1924 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 Federal Census states he was born 1925 in MIssouri.

1928 Childbirth of brother; Clifton D. Hurst

Clifton D. Hurst was born in District 7, McNairy, Tennessee, United States on 12 April 1927.

1928-1930 Parent's divorce of John Quincy Hurst and Dovie Lee (CUPPLES) Hurst

1930 Federal Census age 6

District 7, McNairy, Tennessee, United States, page **HURST**, Dovie L. head w f 42; Paul E. son w m 12; Pleasant J. son w m 8; <u>Allie K. son w m</u> 6; Clifton D. son w m 2yrs 1month

1935 Residency in rural, McNairy County, Tennessee, United States

1935-1940 Family Move

From rural, McNairy County, Tennessee, United States to Pemiscot Twp, Pemiscot, Missouri, United States

1930-1940 Death of father; John Quincy Adams Hurst

John Quincy Adams Hurst died in ??

1940 Federal Census age 16

Pemiscot Twp, Pemiscot, Missouri, United States, page 564b, 5 April 1940, line 74, house 62 **HURST,** Dovie head w f 55; Paul E. son w m 22; P.[Pleasant] J. son w m 19; <u>Cahn son w m 15</u>; Clifton son w m 13; Martha daunlaw w f 20; Helen gdau w f 1; [page 565a] Virginia daunlaw w f 16

[All born in Tennessee except Virginia born in Missouri. Dovie is a widow. They are farm laborers. Paul and Pleasant are married.]

1942 Marriage of Allie Cam Hurst and Bertie Mae (SULLIVAN)

[1] Missouri Marriage Records, 1805-2002

Name:Cam Hurst Marriage Date:27 Jun 1942 Marriage Location:Caruthersville, Pemiscot, Missouri Marriage County:Pemiscot Spouse Name:Bertie Mae Sullivan

1943 U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name:Allie C Hurst Birth Year:1924 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Tennessee State of Residence:Mississippi County or City:Union Enlistment Date:10 Jul 1943 Enlistment State:Mississippi Enlistment City:Camp Shelby Branch:No branch assignment Branch Code:No branch assignment Grade:Private Grade Code:Private Term of Enlistment:Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law Component:Selectees (Enlisted Men) Source:Civil Life Education:Grammar school Civil Occupation:Farm hands, general farms Marital Status:Single, without dependents Height:24 Weight:443

1943-1954 Death or Divorce of Allie Cam Hurst and Bertie Mae (SULLIVAN)

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1961 Death of mother-in-law; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father-in-law; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

1967-1987 Family Move

From Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States to 1507 SW Binkley St, Oklahoma City, OK, 73119-2220

1987, 1991 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name: Allie C Hurst Birth Date: 11 Jul 1924 Phone Number: 631-8599 Address: 1507 SW Binkley St, Oklahoma City, OK, 73119-2220 (1987) [18222 N 33rd Dr, Phoenix, AZ, 85053-1010] [4119 Cunningham Dr, Oklahoma City, OK, 73135-2518 (1991)]

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Allie C Hurst Birth Date:11 Jul 1924 Address:1507 Swbinkley St City:Oklahoma City State:OK Zip Code:73119

1998 Death of Allie Cam Hurst

Allie Cam Hurst died in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Oklahoma, United States on 4 October 1998. [1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Allie C. Hurst SSN:414-26-6678 Last Residence:73129 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Oklahoma, United States of America Born:11 Jul 1924 Died:4 Oct 1998 State (Year) SSN issued:Tennessee (Before 1951)

1998 Burial of Allie Cam Hurst

Sunny Lane Cemetery, 3900 SE 29th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, United States 73115 [1] U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name:Allie C Hurst Service Info.:PVT US ARMY Birth Date:11 Jul 1924 Death Date:4 Oct 1998 Cemetery:Sunny Lane Cemetery Cemetery Address:3900 SE 29th Street Oklahoma City, OK 73115

Find A Grave Memorial# 46063301Created by: Phil & Donna (Stricklan/... Record added: Dec 28, 2009

Allie C Hurst Birth: Jul. 11, 1924 Death: Oct. 4, 1998 Inscription: PVT US ARMY Burial: Sunny Lane Cemetery Del City Oklahoma County Oklahoma, USA

25 M iii. **William "Bill" Allen Graddy** was born on 30 August 1924 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 25 October 2001 in Saint Louis City,

Missouri, United States at age 77, and was buried in October 2001 in Hooker Cemetery, Hooker, Cullen Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States.

1923 Birthblock of William "Bill" Allen Graddy son of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

William "Bill" Allen Graddy was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 August 1924.

1926 Childbirth of brother; Harold Lee Graddy (twins)

Harold Lee Graddy was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 15 November 1926.

1926 Childbirth of sister; Hilda Mary (GRADDY) (twins)

Hilda Mary (**GRADDY**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 15 November 1926.

1928 Childbirth of brother; Edward "Ed" James Graddy

Edward "Ed" James Graddy was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 18 November 1928.

1928-1930 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1930 Federal Census age 7

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 208b, 10 April 1930, line house 57

GRADDY, Allen R. head w m 42; Ruth J. wife w f 25; Dorothy M. dau w f 9; Mildred O. dau w f 8; William A. son w m 5; Harold L. son w m 3.7mos; Hilda M. dau w f 3.7mos; James E. son w m 1.2mos;

[All born in Missouri as was their parents.

1930 Childbirth of sister: Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)

Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 August 1930.

Location Note

Should be noted that the children all claim to have been born in Bourbon. However, as of April 1930 they were living in Liberty Township. How long they stayed in Liberty Township is unknown. The rest of the children born after this date claim to have been born in Bourbon.

1932 Childbirth of brother; Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 April 1932.

1934 Chilbirth of brother; Donald "Don" Earl Graddy

Donald "Don" Earl Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 February 1934.

1935 Residency in Liberty Twp, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

1936 Childbirth of brother; Cecil Arthur Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 June 1936.

1938 Childbirth of sister; Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 May 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 17

Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page, house 21 **GRADDY**, R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13; James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; Benjamin L. son w m 7; Donald E. son w m 6; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2 [All born in Missouri as were their parents. Rufus is a laborer for the WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1940 Childbirth of brother; Laird Dean Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister; Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother: Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri. United States on 30 December 1943.

1940-??? Marriage of William "Bill" Allen Graddy and Pearline (DAVIS)

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

1977 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name:William A Graddy Birth Date:30 August 1924 Phone Number:426-2386 Address:3242 Airway Ave, Saint Louis, MO, 63114-2826 (1977)

1992 Death of spouse: Pearline (DAVIS) Graddy

Pearline (**DAVIS**) Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 17 December 1992.

2001 Death of William "Bill" Allen Graddy

William "Bill" Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 25 October 2001.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:William A. Graddy SSN:496-30-5422 Last Residence:63114 Saint Louis, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States of America Born:30 Aug 1924 Died:25 Oct 2001 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

2001 Burial of William "Bill" Allen Graddy

Hooker Cemetery, Hooker, Cullen Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States [1] U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name:William Allen Graddy Service Info.:S SGT US MARINE CORPS WORLD WAR II, KOREA Birth Date:30 Aug 1924 Death Date:25 Oct 2001 Cemetery:Hooker Cemetery Cemetery Address:Newburg, MO 65550

2001 Web: Obituary Daily Times Index, 1995-Current about William Allen Graddy
Name: William Allen Graddy Age at Death: 77 Birth Date: Abt 1924 Death Date: abt
2001 Death Place: Overland MO Publication or Record Date: 28 Oct 2001
Publication or Record Place: United States

Find A Grave Memorial# 107441417 Created by: Gravefinder1 Record added: Mar 28, 2013

William Allen Graddy Birth: Aug. 20, 1934, USA Death: Oct. 25, 2001 S/Sgt. USMC WWII Korea h/o Pearline Graddy Burial: Hooker Cemetery Pulaski County Missouri, USA

William married **Pearline (DAVIS),** daughter of **Alfred Milton Davis** and **Anna (WEINERS),** in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States. Pearline was born on 26 January 1924 in Cullen Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States, died on 17 December 1992 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States at age 68, and was buried in December 1992 in Hooker Cemetery, Hooker, Cullen Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States.

<u>1924 Birthblock of Pearline (DAVIS) daughter of Alfred Milton and Ann (WIENERS) Davis</u> Peraline (**DAVIS**) was born in Cullen Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States on 26 January 1924.

1930 Federal Census age 6

Cullen Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States, page **DAVIS,** Alford M. head w m 49; Anna wife w f 39; Harald son w m 9; <u>Pearline dau w f 6;</u> Marjorie dau w f 1yr 10months

1935 Residence in Union Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 16

Union Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States

DAVIS, Alferd head w m 60; Annie wife w f 48; Harold son w m 19; Pearline dau w f 16; Marjoria dau w f 11

??? Marriage of William "Bill" Allen Graddy and Pearline (DAVIS)

1992 Death of Pearline (DAVIS) Graddy

Pearline (**DAVIS**) Graddy died in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 17 December 1992.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Pearline Graddy SSN:487-26-0406 Last Residence:63114 Saint Louis, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States of America Born:26 Jan 1924 Died:Dec 1992 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

1992 Burial of Pearline (DAVIS) Graddy

Hooker Cemetery, Hooker, Cullen Township, Pulaski County, Missouri, United States

Find A Grave Memorial# 65386182 Created by: booklover Record added: Feb 08, 2011

Pearline Graddy Birth: Jan. 26, 1924 Death: Dec. 17, 1992 Burial: Hooker Cemetery Pulaski County Missouri, USA

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<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Harold Lee Graddy by Floyd Thomas Pratt</u> <u>F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2014</u>

In harmony with the first law of genealogy or family history research, i.e., documentation, I submit my famous Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile on this subject including all known documentation presented for the serious researcher. This has been done to help family historians continue in their pursuit of family history knowledge without a duplication of effort. All I ask is that you acknowledge my contribution to your family history research. My gift to you...Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

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1940 Federal Census age 13

Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page, house 21

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1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1945 U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name:Harold L Graddy Birth Year:1926 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Missouri State of Residence:Missouri County or City:Crawford Enlistment Date:30 May 1945 Enlistment State:Missouri Enlistment City:Jefferson Barracks Branch:No branch assignment Branch Code:No branch assignment Grade:Private Grade Code:Private Term of Enlistment:Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law Component:Selectees (Enlisted Men) Source:Civil Life Education:4 years of high school Marital Status:Single, without dependents Height:80 Weight:466

1848 California Passenger and Crew Lists, 1893-1957

Name:Harold L Graddy Arrival Date:24 Jan 1948 Age:22 Birth Date:Abt1926 Gender:Male Ethnicity:White Ship Name:Frederick Funston Port of Arrival:San Francisco, California Port of Departure:Jinsen; Korea Archive information (series:roll number):IMUSACA1907:130188

1952 Marriage of Harold Lee Graddy and Mildred "Mickey" D. (MARTIN)

Harold Lee Graddy and Mildred "Mickey" (**MARTIN**) were married in Pocahontas, Randolph, Arkansas, United States on 19 July 1952.

[1] Arkansas Marriages, 1779-1992

Name:Harold L. Graddy Gender:Male Marriage Date:1952 Spouse:Mildred Martin County:Randolph Volume:50 Page:472 State:Arkansas

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Harold L Graddy Birth Date:15 Nov 1926 Address:265 Fish Farm Ln City:Cuba State:MO Zip Code:65453

2004 Death of Harold Lee Graddy

Harold Lee Graddy died in Life Care Center, Waynesville, Pulaski, Missouri, United States on 15 April 2004.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Harold L. Graddy SSN:496-28-6516 Last Residence:65565 Steelville, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:15 Nov 1926 Died:15 Apr 2004 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

2004 Burial of Harold Lee Graddy

Schwieder Cemetery, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

2004 U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name:Harold L Graddy Service Info.:US MERCHANT MARINE WORLD WAR II Birth Date:15 Nov 1926 Death Date:15 Apr 2004 Cemetery:Schwieder Cemetery Cemetery Address:Steelville, MO 65565

2004 United States Obituary Collection

Name of Deceased:Harold Lee Graddy Obituary Date:25 Apr 2004 Newspaper Title:Cuba Free Press Newspaper Location:Cuba, MO, Us Locations Mentioned in Obituary:Nixa, MO Seattle, WA CA Bourbon, MO Oklahoma Pocahontas, AR IL MO Waynesville, MO California Steelville, MO Mississippi Sullivan, MO Crawford County, MO St. Peters, MO Other Persons Mentioned in Obituary:Mary Allie Hurst Stella Dotson Steve Price Beatrice Butts Dean Graddy Rufus Graddy Allen Douglas Husband Black Edward Amanda Rucker Bob Coleman Brian Rucker Ronald Graddy Care Center Cebe Martin Delight Stringer May Martin Pearline Mildred Hurst Faye Sue Graddy Ernest Whitaker Benjamin Graddy Rita Angela Murrel Phillips Pearl Lillian Barnicle Gene Martin Elizabeth Kathy Steve Black Hilda Phillips Alice Kallmbah Virgil Mayben Edward Graddy Dorothy May Hazel Pennock Fran Graddy Donald Graddy Steven Price Evelyn Schmitt David Black Brandon Rucker Ruth Graddy Jane (Pratt) Nute Martin Jennifer William Graddy Doug

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Harold Lee Graddy Harold Lee Graddy was born Tuesday, November 15, 1926, in Crawford County, Bourbon, Missouri, a son of the late Rufus Allen Graddy and Ruth Jane (Pratt) Graddy. He departed this life Thursday, April 15, 2004, at the Life Care Center, Waynesville, Missouri, at the age of 77 years and 5 months. Harold was inducted into the United States Army, May 30, 1945, at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. He earned the Army Occupation Medal for service in Germany and France. He was also awarded the World War II Victory Ribbon and received an Honorable Discharge October 18, 1946. He later served as a Merchant Marine at Seattle, Washington and was discharged at San Francisco, California. On July 19, 1952, at Pocahontas, Arkansas, Harold was united in marriage to Mildred Martin. They have enjoyed over 51 years together. In addition to his parents Harold was preceded in death by three

brothers, Benjamin Graddy, William Graddy and wife Pearline and Cecil Graddy; and two sisters. Evelvn Schmitt and husband Virgil and Betty Mayben; and brothers-in-law. Allie Hurst, Murrel Phillips, Cebe Martin, Champ Martin, Nute Martin, Gene Martin, sisters-in-law Beatrice Butts, May Martin, Stella Dotson and Delight Stringer. Among those who remain to mourn his passing are his devoted wife, Mildred Graddy of the home in Waynesville, Missouri; their daughter Mary and husband Edward Black of Richland, Missouri; four grandchildren, Rita and husband Brian Rucker of St. Peters, Missouri, Angela and husband Steve Price of Nixa, Missouri, Douglas Black and wife Elizabeth of Waynesville, Missouri, and David Black of Richland, Missouri; six great grandchildren, Brandon and Amanda Rucker, Jennifer and Steven Price, Zachary and Alayna Black. Also remaining are four brothers, Edward Graddy and wife Kathy, Dean Graddy and wife Pearl, and Ronald Graddy, all of Bourbon, Missouri, Donald Graddy and wife Faye of California; four sisters, Dorothy May and husband Ernest "Bud" Whitaker of Mississippi, Mildred Hurst of Oklahoma, Hilda (Harold's twin) Phillips of Sullivan, Missouri, Hazel Pennock and husband Ronald of Illinois; sisters-in-law, Sue Graddy and Fran Graddy, both of Bourbon, Missouri, Alice Kallmbah and Lillian Barnicle, both of Steelville, Missouri; nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many friends. Harold Lee Graddy lay in state 4-8 p.m. with Masonic Services 7 p.m. conducted by Lebanon Lodge #70 AF & AM, Steelville, Saturday, April 17, 2004 at Britton Brothers Funeral Home, Steelville, Missouri. Funeral services were held 2 p.m. Sunday, April 18, 2004, in the Britton Chapel with Rev. Bob Coleman officiating, Musical selections were provided by Rev. and Mrs. Bob Coleman. Committal prayers and interment were in Schwieder Cemetery, rural Steelville, Missouri. Full military honors, (firing party, taps, flag folding and presentation) were provided graveside by the Missouri Military Funeral Honors Eastern Division. Serving as pallbearers were Edward Graddy, Steve Black, Doug Black, Brandon Rucker, Steven Price and Brian Rucker. Arrangements were entrusted to Britton Funeral Home, Steelville, Missouri.

Harold married **Mildred "Mickey" D. (MARTIN)**, daughter of **Charles Doak Martin** and **Lula Jane (ENNIS)**, on 19 July 1952 in Pocahontas, Demun Township, Randolph, Arkansas, United States. Mildred was born on 13 March 1924 in Courtois Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1923 Childbirth of Mildred "Mickey" D. (MARTIN) daughter of Charles Doak and Lula Jane (ENNIS) Martin

Mildred "Mickey" D. (MARTIN) was born in Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1923.

1930 Federal Census age 7

Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 189a, 14 April 1930, line 18, house 64, family 67

MARTIN, Chas head w m 62; Lula wife w f [unk]; Alice dau w f 14; Newton son w m 16; Eugene son w m 12; Dariss dau w f 8; Mildred dau w f 7

[All were born in Missouri as were their parents. Charles worls as a railroad tie cutter. they are renting.]

1935 Residence in Rural, Crawford, Missouri

1940 Federal Census age 17

High Street, Steelville, Meramec Twp, Crawford, Missouri

MARTIN, Charles D head w m 72; Lula J wife w f 62; Eugene son m 21; Mildred D dau w f 16; Lawarence L. gson w m 9

1945 Death of father; Charles Doak Martin

Charles Doak Martin died in Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 April 1945.

[Date needs verification]

1952 Marriage of Harold Lee Graddy and Mildred "Mickey" D. (MARTIN)

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2008 Sister; Lillian "Punk' Doris (MARTIN) Barnicle Obituary

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Lillian (Punk) Doris Barnicle

Lillian (Punk) Doris Barnicle, of Steelville, Missouri, was born May 12, 1922 in Cherryville, Missouri to Charles and Lula Jane (Ennis) Martin. She passed away on Tuesday, April 1, 2008 at Phelps County Regional Hospital in Rolla, Missouri at the age of 85 years. On July 11, 1937, she was united in marriage to Theodore Barnicle who preceded her in death on February 4, 1981.

Lillian attended Center Ridge Pentecostal Church. Since a little girl, she loved music and enjoyed playing her guitar and she was always ready to go for a drive and take in a day of shopping. She especially loved being with all of her family and loved talking to all little children.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son, James Lee Barnicle; one daughter, Dolores Bryant; four brothers, Champ Martin, Cebe Martin, Nute Martin and Gene Martin, five sisters, Mae Martin, Lady Stringer, Stella Dotson, Beatrice Butts and Tookie Kallmbah and one granddaughter, Christine Bryant.

She is survived by two daughters, Betty Brown and husband Dwight of Cherryville, Missouri and Helen McGruder of Steelville, Missouri; one sister, Mildred Graddy of Steelville, Missouri; one son-in-law Willard Bryant of Steelville, Missouri; nine grandchildren, Tammy Barnicle, Peggy Hayes, Ted Conrad, Kelly Tinker, Bill Barnicle, Larry Hutson, Lori Mabe, Allen Bryant and Bruce Bryant; 17 great grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; other relatives and friends. Funeral services were

held on Friday, April 4, 2008 at the Britton-Bennett Funeral Home in Steelville, Missouri with Pastor Harrison Brown and Rev. Bob Coleman officiating. Special music of "Amazing Grace," "Old Rugged Cross," "Power in the Blood" and "I'll Fly Away" were sung by Bob and Carol Coleman and accompanied by Shirley Brown on piano. Casket bearers were Bill Barnicle, AJ Tinker, Terry Counts, Zack Knox, Jim Martin, Henry Martin and Albert Martin. Committal prayer and burial were in the Schwieder Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of the Britton-Bennett Funeral Home of Steelville, Missouri.

v. **Hilda Mary (GRADDY)** was born on 15 November 1926 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 23 January 2008 in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States at age 81, and was buried on 26 January 2008 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1926 Birthblock for Hilda Mary (GRADDY) (twins) daughter of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Hilda Mary (**GRADDY**) was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 15 November 1926.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1927 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states she was born 1927 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born

Date from the obituary states she was born November 15, 1926 at Bourbon, Missouri

1928 Childbirth of brother; Edward "Ed" James Graddy

Edward "Ed" James Graddy was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 18 November 1928.

1928-1930 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1930 Federal Census age 3yrs 7months

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 208b, 10 April 1930, line house 57,

GRADDY, Allen R. head w m 42; Ruth J. wife w f 25; Dorothy M. dau w f 9; Mildred O. dau w f 8; William A. son w m 5; Harold L. son w m 3.7mos; Hilda M. dau w f 3yrs 7mos; James E. son w m 1yr 2mos; [All born in Missouri as was their parents.

1930 Childbirth of sister; Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)

Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 August 1930.

Location Note

Should be noted that the children all claim to have been born in Bourbon. However, as of April 1930 they were living in Liberty Township. How long they stayed in Liberty Township is unknown. The rest of the children born after this date claim to have been born in Bourbon.

1932 Childbirth of brother; Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 April 1932.

1934 Chilbirth of brother; Donald "Don" Earl Graddy

Donald "Don" Earl Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 February 1934.

1935 Residency in Liberty Twp, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

1936 Childbirth of brother; Cecil Arthur Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 June 1936.

1938 Childbirth of sister; Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 May 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 14

Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page, house 21 **GRADDY,** R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13; James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; Benjamin L. son w m 7; Donald E. son w m 6; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2 [All born in Missouri as were their parents. Rufus is a laborer for the WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1940 Childbirth of brother; Laird Dean Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister: Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1946 Marriage of Murrel Clay Phillips and Hilda Mary (GRADDY)

Murrel Clay Phillips and Hilda Mary (**GRADDY**) were married in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 19 February 1946.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September

1967.

1997 Death of spouse; Murrel Clay Phillips

Murrel Clay Phillips died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 26 October 1997.

2008 Death of Hilda Mary (GRADDY) Phillips

Hilda Mary (**GRADDY**) Phillips died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 23 January 2008.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Hilda M. Phillips SSN:495-28-0799 Last Residence:63080 Sullivan, Franklin, Missouri Born:15 Nov 1926 Died:23 Jan 2008 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

2008 Burial of Hilda Mary (GRADDY) Phillips

Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Find A Grave Memorial# 40294464 Created by: Alice Huitt Preston Record added: Aug 05, 2009

Hilda M. Phillips Birth: unknown Death: Jan. 23, 2008 Missouri, USA Hilda M. Phillips of Sullivan, Missouri, passed away Wednesday at the age of 81 years. She is survived by three sons, David Phillips and wife Denise of High Ridge, Missouri, Robert Phillips of St. Louis, Missouri and Steven Phillips of Sullivan, Missouri; two daughters, Janet Dillon of Crestwood, Missouri, and Mary Gossage and husband William of Arnold, Missouri; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; other relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted 1:00 p.m., Saturday from the Chapel of the Eaton Funeral Home, Clark Street location in Sullivan with interment in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Missouri. Visitation for Mrs. Phillips was held on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until time of service at 1:00 p.m. at the Eaton Funeral Home in Sullivan. Burial: Lea Cemetery

Leasburg Crawford County Missouri, USA

2008 Obituary of Hilda Mary (GRADDY) Phillips

Steelville Star-Crawford Mirror, Steelville, Crawford Co. MO Local Obituaries for the Week of January 30, 2008 Hilda M. Phillips

Hilda M. Phillips of Sullivan, Missouri was born November 15, 1926 at Bourbon, Missouri to Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (Pratt) Graddy. She passed away Wednesday, January 23, 2008 at the age of 81 years, 2 months and 8 days. After graduation from Sullivan High School, Hilda was united in marriage to Murrel C. Phillips at St. Louis, Missouri and to this union six children were born. Hilda was employed in various jobs in the St. Louis area and in the last 11 years of her working career, worked for R.W. Rebuilders of St. Louis. She and

Murrel then moved back to Leasburg, Missouri and eventually Sullivan where Murrel died in 1997. Hilda enjoyed doing crossword puzzles, collecting Avon, was an avid coupon clipper and was fond of gardening. She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, James. She is survived by three sons, David Phillips and wife Denise of High Ridge, Missouri, Robert Phillips of St. Louis, Missouri and Steven Phillips of

Sullivan, Missouri; two daughters Janet Dillon of Crestwood, Missouri and Mary Gossage and husband William of Arnold, Missouri; eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren; other relatives and friends. Visitation was Saturday, January 26, 2008 from 10 a.m. until time of service at the Eaton Funeral Home, Sullivan, Missouri. Funeral service was at 1 p.m. Saturday, January 26, 2008 from the Chapel of the Eaton Funeral Home, Sullivan, Missouri. Interment was in the Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Missouri.

Hilda married Murrel Clay Phillips, son of Bradford Garfield Phillips and Celestia "Lessie" (GRADDY), on 19 February 1946 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States. Murrel was born on 17 September 1923 in Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States, died on 26 October 1997 in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States at age 74, and was buried in October 1997 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1923 Birthblock of Murrel Clay Phillips son of Bradford Garfield and Celestia "Lessie" (GRADDY) Phillips

Murrel Clay Phillips was born in Liberty Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States on 17 September 1923.

1930 Federal Census age 7

Liberty Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States
PHILLIPS, Badford G. head w m 52; Celestie wife w f 38; Claud B. son w m 19; Thelma M. dau w f
17; Ethel M. dau w f 14; Virginia M. dau w f 12; Murrel C. son w m 6; Lucille C. dau w f 3yrs
8months; Rosa C. dau w f 6months

1935 Residence in rural, Crawford, Missouri

1940 Federal Census age 17

Courtois Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States **PHILLIPS**, Bradford G. head w m 62; Celestie wife w f 48; <u>Murrel C. son w m 16</u>; Lucille C. dau w f 14; Rosie C. dau w f 10

1943 U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name:Murrel C Phillips Birth Year:1923 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Missouri State of Residence:Missouri County or City:Crawford Enlistment Date:9 Feb 1943 Enlistment State:Missouri Enlistment City:Jefferson Barracks Branch:Branch Immaterial - Warrant Officers, USA Branch Code:Branch Immaterial - Warrant Officers, USA Grade:Private Grade Code:Private Term of Enlistment:Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law Component:Selectees (Enlisted Men) Source:Civil Life Education:Grammar school Civil Occupation:General farmers Marital Status: **Single**, without dependents Height:73 Weight:153

1946 Marriage of Murrel Clay Phillips and Hilda Mary (GRADDY)

Murrel Clay Phillips and Hilda Mary (**GRADDY**) were married in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 19 February 1946.

1961 Death of mother-in-law; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father-in-law; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Murrel Phillips Birth Date:17 Sep 1923 Address:249 Virginia St City:Sullivan State:MO Zip Code:63080-1731

1997 Death of Murrel Clay Phillips

Murrel Clay Phillips died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 26 October 1997.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Murrel C. Phillips SSN:490-22-5420 Last Residence:63080 Sullivan, Franklin, Missouri, United States of America Born:17 Sep 1923 Died:26 Oct 1997 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

1997 Burial of Murrel Clay Phillips

Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States [1] U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name:Murrel C Phillips Service Info.:CPL US ARMY AIR CORPS WORLD WAR II Birth Date:17 Sep 1923 Death Date:26 Oct 1997 Cemetery:Leaburg Cemetery Cemetery Address:Leasburg, MO 65535

Find A Grave Memorial# 88784754 Created by: Mary D. Record added: Apr 19, 2012

Murrel C Phillips Birth: Sep. 17, 1923 Death: Oct. 26, 1997 Inscription: CPL US Army Air Corps World War II Burial: Lea Cemetery Leasburg Crawford County Missouri, USA

28 M vi. **James Edward "Ed" Graddy Sr.** was born on 18 November 1928 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1928 Birthblock of James Edward "Ed" Graddy son of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

James Edward "Ed" Graddy was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 18 November 1928.

Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1928 in Missouri.

Date from the 1940 census states she was born 1929 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born

Date from the obituary states she was born

1928-1930 Family Move

From Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1930 Federal Census age 1yr 2months

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 208b, 10 April 1930, line house

57,

GRADDY, Allen R. head w m 42; Ruth J. wife w f 25; Dorothy M. dau w f 9; Mildred O. dau w f 8; William A. son w m 5; Harold L. son w m 3.7mos; Hilda M. dau w f 3.7mos; <u>James E. son w m 1.2mos</u>;

[All born in Missouri as was their parents.

1930 Childbirth of sister; Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)

Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 August 1930.

Location Note

Should be noted that the children all claim to have been born in Bourbon. However, as of April 1930 they were living in Liberty Township. How long they stayed in Liberty Township is unknown. The rest of the children born after this date claim to have been born in Bourbon.

1932 Childbirth of brother; Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 April 1932.

1934 Chilbirth of brother; Donald "Don" Earl Graddy

Donald "Don" Earl Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 February 1934.

1935 Residency at Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1936 Childbirth of brother; Cecil Arthur Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 June 1936.

1938 Childbirth of sister; Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 May 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 10

Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page, house 21 **GRADDY**, R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13; James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; Benjamin L. son w m 7; Donald E. son w m 6; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2

[All born in Missouri as were their parents. Rufus is a laborer for the WPA road construction. They are renting.]

1940 Childbirth of brother; Laird Dean Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister; Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (GRADDY) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford,

Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1953 Marriage of James Edward "Ed" Graddy and Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (REEVES)

Edward "Ed" James Graddy and Kathleen (**REEVES**) were married in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 7 March 1953.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

1992 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name:Edward Graddy Birth Date:18 Nov 1928 Address:2436 Highway Jj, Bourbon, MO, 65441-7259 (1992)

<u>1994 1995 1996 U.S. Phone and Address Directories, 1993-2002</u>

Name:Edward J Graddy Spouse:Kathy Address:Rr 2 City:Bourbon State:Missouri Zip Code:65441-9802 Phone Number:314-732-4628 Residence Years:1994 1995 1996

2009 Death of spouse; Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (REEVES) Graddy

Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (**REEVES**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States on 2 July 2009.

James married Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (REEVES), daughter of Raney Edward Reeves and Eva Helen (ANDERSON), on 7 March 1953 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States. Maryetta was born on 22 May 1934 in Arcadia, Arcadia Township, Iron County, Missouri, United States, died on 2 July 2009 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 75, and was buried on 5 July 2009 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1934 Birthblock of Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (REEVES) daughter of Raney Edward and Eva Helen (ANDERSON) Reeves

Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (**REEVES**) was born in Arcadia, Arcadia Township, Iron County, Missouri, United States on 22 May 1934.

1935 Residence in Liberty Township, Iron County, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 7

Liberty Township, Iron County, Missouri, United States

RUNES, Raney E. head w m 29; Eva H. wife w f 34; Eugene son w m 8; Kathelyn dau w f 6;

Vernon son w m 3; Donald son w m 2; **PALMER**, Edward step-son w m 13

1953 Marriage of James Edward "Ed" Graddy and Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (REEVES) James Edward "Ed" Graddy and Kathleen (REEVES) were married in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 7 March 1953.

1961 Death of mother-in-law; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father-in-law; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

2009 Death of Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (REEVES) Graddy

Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (**REEVES**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States on 2 July 2009.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Maryetta K. Graddy SSN:498-36-8788 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri Born:22 May 1934 Died:2 Jul 2009 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (1951-1952)

2009 Burial of Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (REEVES) Graddy

Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States

Find A Grave Memorial# 86946547 Created by: Mary D. Record added: Mar 18, 2012

M Kathleen Graddy Birth: May 22, 1934 Death: Jul. 2, 2009 Burial: Lea Cemetery Leasburg Crawford County
Missouri, USA

2009 Obituary of Maryetta Kathleen "Kathy" (REEVES) Graddy

Steelville Star-Crawford Mirror, Steelville, Crawford Co. MO Local Obituaries for the Week of July 8, 2009

Maryetta Kathleen Graddy

Maryetta Kathleen Graddy, known to all as Kathy, of Bourbon, Missouri was born May 22, 1934 in Arcadia, Missouri to Raney Edward Reeves and Eva Helen Anderson Reeves and passed away July 2, 2009 at the age of 75 years, 1 month and 10 days. On March 7, 1953 she was united in marriage to Edward James Graddy and to this union seven children were born. Kathy was a Christian and member of the Leasburg Assembly of God Church in Leasburg, Missouri. During her working years, she has worked at various jobs, including Paramount Cap Factory in Bourbon and Midwest Shoe Company in Sullivan. Later she started her own business, Kathy's Quilt Shop in Bourbon. She also enjoyed crocheting and working jigsaw puzzles. She was happiest when she was spending time with her family. She was preceded in death by her parents, Raney and Eva Reeves; two brothers, Vernon and Eugene Reeves and two sisters, June Gerloff and Shirley Sauls. She is survived by her husband, Edward Graddy of Bourbon, Missouri; five sons, James Graddy of St. Clair, Missouri, Rick Graddy and wife Tonua of Sullivan, Missouri, Cris Graddy of Bourbon, Missouri, Dwayne Graddy of Cuba, Missouri and Warren Graddy and wife Donna of Cuba, Missouri; two daughters, Sharon Graddy of Steelville, Missouri and Pamela Chapman of Washington, Missouri; five brothers, Joe Parmer and wife Christine of Guthrie, Oklahoma, Don Reeves and wife Helen of Bourbon, Missouri,

Kenneth Reeves and wife Melba of Ellisville, Missouri, Paul Reeves and wife Nell of Marthasville, Missouri and J.R. Reeves and wife Sharon of Madison, Wisconsin; 13 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; other relatives and friends. Visitation was at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 4, 2009 at the Russell Colonial Funeral Home in St. Clair, Missouri.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 5, 2009 at the Assembly of God Church in St. Clair, Missouri with Rev. Lynn Stroup and Rev. Jim Maddox officiating. Interment was in the Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Missouri. Arrangements under the direction of the Russell Colonial Funeral Home, St. Clair, Missouri.

29 F vii. **Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)** was born on 19 August 1930 in Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States, died on 14 December 2002 in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States at age 72, and was buried in December 2002 in Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery, Japan, Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States.

1930 Birthblock of Evelyn Laura (GRADDY) daughter of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 August 1930.

Date from the 1940 census states she was born 1931 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born

Date from the headstone states she was born

Date from the SSDI states she was born 19 August 1930.

Date from the obituary states she was born

Location Note

Should be noted that the children all claim to have been born in Bourbon. However, as of April 1930 they were living in Liberty Township. How long they stayed in Liberty Township is unknown but it appears they moved to Bourbon after 1940. The rest of the children born after this date claim to have been born in Bourbon.

1932 Childbirth of brother; Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 April 1932.

1934 Chilbirth of brother; Donald "Don" Earl Graddy

Donald "Don" Earl Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 February 1934.

1935 Residency rural Liberty Twp, Crawford County, Missouri

1936 Childbirth of brother; Cecil Arthur Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 June 1936.

1938 Childbirth of sister; Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 May 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 10

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

GRADDY, R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13; James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; Benjamin L. son w m 7; Donald E. son w m 6; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2

Farm:Yes Inferred Residence in 1935:Liberty, Crawford, Missouri Residence in 1935:Same House Sheet Number:2A Number of Household in Order of Visitation:21 Occupation:Laborer Industry:W P A Road Construction House Owned or Rented:Rented Value of Home or Monthly Rental if Rented:2 Attended School or College:No Highest Grade Completed:Elementary school, 4th grade Duration of Unemployment:13 Class of Worker:Wage or salary worker in Government work Weeks Worked in 1939:39 Income:15 Income Other Sources:Yes

1940 Childbirth of brother; Laird Dean Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister; Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1950 Marriage of Virgil Charles Schmitt and Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)

Virgil Charles Schmitt and Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) were married in Japan, Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 23 February 1950.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

1993 Death of spouse; Virgil Charles Schmitt

Virgil Charles Schmitt died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 30 May 1993.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Evelyn L Schmitt Birth Date:19 Aug 1930 Address:Seminary Rd City:Sullivan State:MO Zip Code:63080

2002 Death of Evelyn Laura (GRADDY) Schmitt

Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) Schmitt ied in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States on 14 December 2002. [1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Evelyn L. Schmitt SSN:487-32-5593 Last Residence:63080 Sullivan, Franklin, Missouri, United States of America Born:19 Aug 1930 Died:14 Dec 2002 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

2002 Burial of Evelyn Laura (GRADDY) Schmitt

Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery, Japan, Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

She is listed on same stone with spouse. See spouse's find a grave for a picture of the headstone.

Evelyn married Virgil Charles Schmitt, son of William Jacob Schmitt and Elizabeth "Lizzie" Cathrine (SCHELICH), on 23 February 1950 in Japan, Boone Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States. Virgil was born on 2 September 1924 in Japan, Boone Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States, died on 30 May 1993 in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States at age 68, and was buried in May 1993 in Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery, Japan, Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States.

1924 Birthblock of Virgil Charles Schmitt son of William Jacob and Elizabeth "Lizzie" Cathrine (SCHELICH) Schmitt

Virgil Charles Schmitt was born in Japan, Boone Township, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 2 September 1924.

1930 Federal Census age 5yrs 6mos

Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri

SCHMITT, William J. head w m 34; Lizzie C. wife w f 36; Elsie E. dau w f 14; Alva W. son w m 13; Anna C. dau w f 9; Raymond F. son w m 8; <u>Virgil C. son w m 5yrs 6mos</u>; Ralph L. son w m 3yrs 11mos

1935 Residence in Boone Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States

1940 Federal Census age 15

Boone Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States

SCHMIDT, Wm head w m 44; Lizzie wife w f 46; Alva dau w f 23; Raymond son w m 17; <u>Virgil son w m 15</u>; Ralph son w m 12; Clarence son w m 9; Clara dau w f 8; Virginia dau w f 7; Irene dau w f 5

1950 Marriage of Virgil Charles Schmitt and Evelyn Laura (GRADDY)

Virgil Charles Schmitt and Evelyn Laura (**GRADDY**) were married in Japan, Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 23 February 1950.

1961 Death of mother-in-law; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father-in-law; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name: Virgil C Schmitt Birth Date: 2 Sep 1924 Address: 8635 Seminary Rd City: Sullivan

State:MO Zip Code:63080-2755

1993 Death of Virgil Charles Schmitt

Virgil Charles Schmitt died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 30 May 1993.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Virgil C. Schmitt SSN:490-28-5505 Last Residence:63080 Sullivan, Franklin, Missouri, United States of America Born:2 Sep 1924 Died:30 May 1993 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

1993 Burial of Virgil Charles Schmitt

Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery, Japan, Boone Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

Find A Grave Memorial# 66439852 Created by: Andrew Record added: Mar 03, 2011

Virgil C Schmitt Birth: Sep. 2, 1924 Death: May 30, 1993 Burial: Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery Japan Franklin County Missouri, USA [See headstone for spouse's information]

30 M viii. **Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy** was born on 12 April 1932 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 8 February 2002 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 69, and was buried on 11 February 2002 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1932 Birthblock of Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy son of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 April 1932.

Date from the death certificate states he was born

Date from the headstone states he was born

Date from the SSDI states he was born 12 Apr 1932

Date from the obituary states he was born April 12, 1932 at Bourbon, Mo.

1934 Chilbirth of brother; Donald "Don" Earl Graddy

Donald "Don" Earl Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 February 1934.

1935 Residency rural Liberty Twp, Crawford County, Missouri

1936 Childbirth of brother; Cecil Arthur Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 June 1936.

1938 Childbirth of sister; Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 May 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 8

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

GRADDY, R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13;

James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; <u>Benjamin L. son w m 7</u>; Donald E. son w m 6; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2

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1940 Childbirth of brother; Laird Dean Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister; Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1954 Marriage of Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy and Evelyn (BAYLESS)

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy and Evelyn (**BAYLESS**) were married in Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 25 December 1954.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father: Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

1989 Marriage of Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy and Jean ()

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy and Jean (_____) were married on 30 April 1989

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Benjamin L Graddy Birth Date:12 Apr 1932 Address:1627 Coffeyton Rd City:Bourbon State:MO Zip Code:65441-7276

1993 Marriage of Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy and Carol Sue (MOORE)

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy and Carol Sue (**MOORE**) were married on 29 June 1996.

2002 Death of Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy died Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 February 2002.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Ben L. Graddy SSN:489-34-4254 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:12 Apr 1932 Died:8 Feb 2002 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

2002 Burial of Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy

Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States [1] U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name:Benjamin L Graddy Service Info.:SGT US ARMY KOREA Birth Date:12 Apr 1932 Death Date:8 Feb 2002 Cemetery:Lea Cemetery Cemetery Address:Leasburg, MO 65535

2002 Obituary of Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy

Steelville Star-Crawford Mirror, Steelville, Crawford Co. MO Local Obituaries for the Week of Feb. 14, 2002

Benjamin L. Graddy

Benjamin L. Graddy of Bourbon, Mo. passed away on Friday, February 8, 2002 at the age of 69 years.

Mr. Graddy was born on April 12, 1932 at Bourbon, Mo. to Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (Pratt) Graddy. He lived the majority of his life in the Bourbon area and honorably served his country with the U.S. Army during the Korea War. He attained the rank of Sergeant and was awarded a bronze star and several commendations and citations for his service.

Mr. Graddy was a self-employed auto body repairman in the Bourbon area for many years. On June 29, 1996 he was married to Carole Sue Moore in Bourbon. He was known as a gentle man who loved to garden, cut wood and enjoyed nature and especially loved karaoke.

He was a loving father, step-father and brother and found great delight in his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Sue Graddy of the family home, four sons and daughters-in-law; Roger and Barb Graddy of Twin Falls, Idaho, Mark and Trish Graddy of Farmington, New Mexico, Larry and Kelly Graddy of Bourbon, Mo., Randy and Sherri Graddy of Farmington, New Mexico, two daughters and sons-in-law; Debbie and Kenny Borgmeyer of Union, Mo., Denise and David Cannon of Bourbon, Mo.; four stepsons, Rusty Moore and wife Christina of Pawnee, Illinois, Craig Moore and wife Linda of Shumway, Illinois, Gary Moore of Diego Garcia British Island and Kevin Moore and wife Sheila of Effingham, Illinois; one step-daughter, Dee Ann Gordon of Beecher City, Illinois; six brothers, Ronnie Graddy of Bourbon, Mo., Harold Graddy and wife Mildred of Sullivan, Mo., Don Graddy and wife Faye of Geiserville, California, Cecil Graddy, Dean Graddy and wife Pearl, Ed Graddy and wife Kathy, all of Bourbon, Mo.; five sisters, Dorothy Mae Whittacher and husband Earnest of Vicksburg, Mississippi, Mildred Hurst of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Evelyn Schmidt of Sullivan, Mo., Hilda Phillips of Sullivan and Hazel Belle and husband Ronnie of Peoria, Illinois; 28 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. on Monday, February 11, 2002 from the Chapel of the Hassebroek Funeral Home in Sullivan with Pastor Windle Starns officiating. Interment with full military honors was in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Mo. Funeral arrangements were under the care of the Eaton Funeral Home, Sullivan, Mo.

Those who desire may make memorials to BJC Hospice.

Find A Grave Memorial# 80374187 Created by: SuZ Record added: Nov 13, 2011
Benjamin Lewis Graddy Birth: Apr. 12, 1932 Death: Feb. 8, 2002 Burial: Lea
Cemetery Leasburg Crawford County Missouri, USA

Benjamin married **Evelyn (BAYLESS)**, daughter of **George Edward Bayless Sr.** and **Viola Frances (HANSELL)**, on 25 December 1954 in Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States. The marriage ended in divorced no children. Evelyn was born in 1938 in Oak Hill Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1938 Birthblock of Evelyn (BAYLESS) daughter of George Edward Sr. and Viola Frances (HANSELL) Bayless

Evelyn (**BAYLESS**) was born in Oak Hill Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States in 1938.

1935 Residence in Crawford County, Missouri

1940 Federal Census age 2

Oak Hill Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States

BAYLESS, George E. head w m 47; Viola wife w f 30; Leona dau w f 15; Norma Lee dau w f 8; Robert son w m 6; Mary E. dau w f 4; Evelyn dau w f 2

1954 Marriage of Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy and Evelyn (BAYLESS)

Benjamin "Ben" Lewis Graddy and Evelyn (**BAYLESS**) were married in Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 25 December 1954.

Benjamin next married Jean on 30 April 1989.

Benjamin next married Carol Sue Moore on 29 June 1996.

31 M ix. **Donald "Don" Earl Graddy** was born on 19 February 1934 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1934 Birthblock of Donald "Don" Earl Graddy son of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Donald "Don" Earl Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 19 February 1934.

1935 Residency rural Liberty Twp, Crawford County, Missouri

1936 Childbirth of brother; Cecil Arthur Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 June 1936.

1938 Childbirth of sister; Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 May 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 6

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

GRADDY, R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13; James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; Benjamin L. son w m 7; <u>Donald E. son w m 6</u>; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2

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1940 Childbirth of brother; Laird Dean Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister; Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1955 Marriage of Donald "Don" Earl Graddy and Willie Fay (BRAY)

Donald "Don" Earl Graddy and Willie Fay (**BRAY**) were married at San Diego, San Diego, California, United States in 1955.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Donald E Graddyl Birth Date:19 Feb 1934 Address:Po Box 264 City:Geyserville State:CA Zip Code:95441-0264

<u>1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 U.S. Phone and Address Directories</u>, 1993-2002

Name: Donald Graddy Address: Geyserville Av City: Geyserville State: California Zip Code: 95441 Phone Number: 707-857-3412 Residence Years: 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002

Donald married Willie Fay (BRAY), daughter of Carl Albert Bray Sr. and Mary (PRICE), in 1955 in San Diego, San Diego, California, United States. Willie was born on 30 June 1933 in Rush Springs Township, Grady County, Oklahoma, United States.

1933 Birthblock of Willie Fay (BRAY) daughter of Carl Albert and Mary (PRICE) Bray
Willie Fay (BRAY) was born in Rush Springs Township, Grady County, Oklahoma, United States on
30 June 1933.

1935 Residence in Grady County, Oklahoma

1940 Federal Census age 7

Rush Springs Township, Grady County, Oklahoma, United States **BRAY**, C.[Carl] A.[Albert] head w m 32; Mary wife w f 25; Willie Fay dau w f 7; F.[Forrest] C. son w m 6; C.[Carl] A.[Albert] son w m 4; Thurston D. son w m 2

1955 Marriage of Donald "Don" Earl Graddy and Willia Fay (BRAY)

Donald "Don" Earl Graddy and Willie Fay (**BRAY**) were married at San Diego, San Diego, California, United States in 1955.

1961 Death of mother-in-law; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father-in-law; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2 about Willie F Graddy

Name: Willie F Graddy Birth Date: 30 Jun 1933 Address: 21080 Geyserville Ave, Geyserville, CA, 95441

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2 about Willie F Graddy

Name: Willie F Graddy Birth Date: 30 Jun 1933 Address: PO Box 264, Geyserville, CA, 95441-0264

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2 about Willie F Graddy

Name: Willie F Graddy Birth Date: 30 Jun 1933 Address: 21080 Geyserville Ave, Geyserville, CA, 95441

32 M x. Cecil Arthur Graddy was born on 10 June 1936 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 24 November 2003 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 67, and was buried on 26 November 2003 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1936 Birthblock of Cecil Arthur Graddy son of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 10 June 1936.

1938 Childbirth of sister; Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) was born in Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 May 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 4

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

GRADDY, R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13; James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; Benjamin L. son w m 7; Donald E. son w m 6; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2

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1940 Childbirth of brother; Laird Dean Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister; Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1956 Marriage of Cecil Arthur Graddy and Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY) Madison

Cecil Arthur Graddy and Rosemary Ann Hartl (**FOLEY**) Madison were married in Hernando, DeSoto, Mississippi, United States on 1 December 1956.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Cecil A Graddy Birth Date:10 June 1936 Address:268 Rr 2 Box City:Bourbon State:MO Zip Code:65441

2001 Death of spouse; Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY) Graddy

Rosemary Ann Hartl (**FOLEY**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 31 July 2001.

2002 Marriage of Cecil Arthur Graddy and Frances Marie (MANUES)

Cecil Arthur Graddy and Frances Marie (MANUES) were married on 10 August 2002.

2003 Death of Cecil Arthur Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 November 2003.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Cecil A. Graddy SSN:491-38-8229 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:10 Jun 1936 Died:24 Nov 2003 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (1952-1953)

2003 Burial of Cecil Arthur Graddy

Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

2003 Obituary of Cecil Arthur Graddy

Steelville Star-Crawford Mirror, Steelville, Crawford Co. MO Local Obituaries for the Week of December 3, 2003 http://files.usgwarchives.net/mo/crawford/obits/12-03-03.txt Cecil Arthur Graddy

Cecil Arthur Graddy of Bourbon, Mo. was born on June 10, 1936 in Bourbon, Mo. to Rufus Allen Graddy and Ruth Jane Pratt Graddy. He passed away on November 24, 2003 at his home at the age of 67 years, 5 Months and 14 days. Cecil was a miner working in iron ore most of his adult life. He married Rosemary Madison Foley on December 1, 1956 and to this union six children were born. Rosemary passed away in July of 2001. Cecil later married Frances Marrie Manues in Bourbon, Mo. on August 10, 2002. Cecil was an avid coon hunter, and loved gardening. He shared all of the produce he raised and never sold it. He was a faithful member of the First Assembly of God Church, Bourbon, Mo. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Rosemary; his son Kenny Graddy; grandson Douglas Parker, brothers Bill Graddy and wife Pearlene, and Ben Graddy; sisters Evelyn Schmitt and husband Virgil, and Betty Mayberry; brother-in-laws Allie Hurst and Murrell Phillips. Those who remain to mourn his passing are his wife of the home Frances; his children James Madison (Tricia) of Bourbon, Mo., Barbara Ivey (Jim) of North Carolina, Darlene Parker (John) of Washington, Mo., Rosanne Shepherd of Fayetteville, Arkansas, Linda Chick (Jim) of Bowling Green, Mo., and Angel Monda (Ron) of Cuba, Mo.; stepchildren Joseph Hess (Velma) of Cuba, Mo., Robert Hess (Ellen) of Sullivan, Mo., Patricia Murphy, and Donna Hess (Ron) all of Bourbon, Mo.; brothers Harold Graddy (Mildred) of Steelville, Mo., Ed Graddy (Kathleen), Dean Graddy (Pearl) and Ronnie Graddy, all of Bourbon, Mo., and Don Graddy (Faye) of California; sisters Dorothy Mae Whitaker (Bud) of Redwood, Mississippi, Mildred Hurst of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Hilda Phillips of Sullivan, Mo., and Hazel Pennock (Ronnie) of Peoria, Illinois; brother and sister-inlaws Buddy Barber (Jenny), Leo Mayberry, and Sandy Husch (John) all of St. Louis, Mo.; Juanita (Sissy) Zorn (Charles), Barbara Stricklin (Roman), all of Steelville, Mo., Sue Graddy of Bourbon, Mo., Mary Husch (Larry) of Texas, John Manues (Gail) of Alabama, Richard Manues (Audrey) of Sullivan, Mo., and Donald Manues (Cathy) of Potosi, Mo.; 26 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends. Visitation was Tuesday, November 25, 2003.

from 5-9 p.m. at First Assembly of God Church, Bourbon, Mo.Funeral services were Wednesday, November 26, 2003 at 10 a.m. at First Assembly of God Church, Bourbon, Mo. with Rev. Harold Harrison officiating. Burial in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Mo. All arrangements under the direction of Hutson Funeral Home, Cuba, Mo.

Cecil married Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY), daughter of Patrick James Foley and Catherine Barbara (HARTL), on 1 December 1956 in Hernando, DeSoto, Mississippi, United States. Rosemary was born on 24 October 1926 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, United States, died on 31 July 2001 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 74, and was buried on 3 August 2001 in Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1926 Birthblock of Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY) daughter of Patrick and Catherine Barbara (HARTL) Foley

Rosemary Ann Hartl (**FOLEY**) was born in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, United States on 24 October 1926.

[1] Cook County, Illinois Birth Index, 1916-1935 about Rosemary Foley

Name: Rosemary Foley Birth Date: 24 Oct 1926 Birth Location: Cook County, IL File Number: 6049242 Archive Collection Name: Cook County Genealogy Records (Births) Archive repository location: Chicago, IL

Archive repository name: Cook County Clerk

1926 Baptismal Records

Saint Michael's Church, Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States in December 1926.

1926-1930 Parent's divorce of Patrick James Foley and Catherine Barbara (HARTL) Foley

1930 Federal Census age 3yrs 6months

1919 Hudson, Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, United States, page Dwelling 268, Family 386 **WAGNER**, George P. head w m 37; Rose wife w f 34; Catherine sister-in-law w f 30; Rosemary niece w f 3yrs 6months

Research Note

Sister; Rose (HARTL) married George Wagner and after her sister; Catherine Barbara (HARTL) Foley's divorce Catherine and daughter Roesmary moved in with them at the above address.

1935 Residence in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, United States

1936 Mother's Marriage of Samuel Thurston Dennison Jr. and Catherine Barbara (HARTL) Foley

Research Note

When divorcee; Catherine Barbara (**HARTL**) Foley married Samuel Thurston Dennison Jr. it was customary for the "new" spouse known as the stepfather, to give any children his wife may have had, prior to their marriage <u>his</u> surname. This confused a great many children who had to revert back to their birth surname when they became an adult. So, when you research for marriage records, not only should you look for the child with their birth surname but you should also

seach the records for the given name and their stepfather's surname. FTP

1940 Federal Census age 13

4757 Easton Avenue, Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States **DENNISON**, Samuel head w m 51; Catherine wife w f 39; Rosemary step-dau w f 13

Research Note

Even though Rosemary is listed as a Dennison in the 1940 census, she is actually Patrick James and Catherine Barbara (**HARTL**) Foley's daughter.

1944 Marriage of James Courtland Madison and Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY)

James Courtland Madison and Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY) were married in Corning, Clay County, Arkansas, United States on 24 July 1944.

1955 Death of spouse; James Courtland Madison

James Courtland Madison died in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States on 11 September 1955.

1956 Marriage of Cecil Arthur Graddy and Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY) Madison

Cecil Arthur Graddy and Rosemary Ann Hartl (**FOLEY**) Madison were married in Hernando, DeSoto County, Mississippi, United States on 1 December 1956.

1960 Death of step-father; Samuel Thurston Dennison Jr.

Samuel Thurston Dennison Jr. died in the Veteran Administration Hospital, 915 North Grand, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 15 September 1960.

1961 Death of mother-in-law; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father-in-law: Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

1979 Death of mother; Catherine Barbara (HARTL) Foley Dennison

Catherine Barbara (**HARTL**) Foley Dennison died in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States on 10 December 1979.

[1] U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014 about Catherine Dennison

Name: Catherine Dennison SSN: 323-05-4105 Last Residence: 65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, USA BORN: 7 Jan 1900 Last Benefit: 65453, Cuba, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Died: Dec 1979 State (Year) SSN issued: Illinois (Before 1951)

1980 Death of father; Partick James Foley

Patrick James Foley died in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, United States on September 1980. [1] U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014 about Patrick Foley Name: Patrick Foley SSN: 323-18-2466 Last Residence: 60622 Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA BORN: 25 Dec 1894 Last Benefit: 60641, Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States of America Died: Sep 1980 State (Year) SN issued: Illinois (Before 1951)

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2 about Rosemary A Graddy

Name: Rosemary A Graddy Birth Date: 24 Oct 1926 Address: 171 RR 2 Box, Bourbon, MO, 65441

2001 Death of Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY) Madison Graddy

Rosemary Ann Hartl (**FOLEY**) Madison Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States 31 July 2001.

[1] Social Security Death Index

Name: Rosemary A. Graddy SSN:494-24-3472 Last Residence:65441 Bourbon, Crawford, Missouri, United States of America Born:24 Oct 1926 Died:31 Jul 2001 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

2001 Burial of Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY) Madison Graddy

Lea Cemetery, Leasburg, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States

2001 Obituary of Rosemary Ann Hartl (FOLEY) Graddy

[1] Steelville Star-Crawford Mirror, Steelville, Crawford Co. MO Local Obituaries for the Week of August 9, 2001

Rosemary A. Graddy

Rosemary A. Graddy of Bourbon, Mo. passed away on Tuesday, July 31, 2001 at the age of 74 years. Mrs. Graddy was born on October 24, 1926 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Patrick and Catherine (Hartle) Foley. She was raised in Chicago, later moved to St. Louis, and eventually settled in Bourbon in 1953.

On December 1, 1956 Rosemary was united in marriage to Cecil A. Graddy in Hernando, Mississippi.

During her adult years, she primarily served her family as a devoted Christian wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and homemaker. Rosemary was a longtime member of the First Assembly of God in Bourbon. She found pleasure in baking, sewing, and crocheting. For many years she was known for baking wedding cakes and other "all occasion" items. Rosemary will be lovingly remembered and cherished as a God-fearing woman who was very patient and easygoing.

She is survived by her husband, Cecil Graddy of Bourbon; one son, James Madison and wife, Trish of Bourbon; five daughters, Barbara Ivey and husband, James of Kernersville, North Carolina, Darlene Parker and husband, John of Bourbon, Roseanne Shepherd and husband, Wendell of Fayetteville, Arkansas, Linda Chick and husband, James of Bowling Green, Mo., and Angel Monda and husband, Ron of Cuba, Mo.; twelve grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren, other relatives, and friends. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Graddy was preceded in death by one son, Kenneth Graddy and one grandson, Doug Parker.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. on Friday, August 3, 2001 from the First Assembly of God in Bourbon with Pastor Harold Harrison officiating. Interment was in Lea Cemetery. If desired, contributions may be made to the Children's Ministries of the First Assembly of God in Bourbon in memory of Mrs. Rosemary Graddy. All arrangements were under the care of the Eaton Funeral Chapel in Bourbon.

Find A Grave Memorial# 88559534 Created by: Mary D. Record added: Apr 15, 2012

Rosemary A Dennison Graddy Birth: Oct. 24, 1926 Death: Jul. 31, 2001 Family links: Spouse:

James Courtland Madison (1922 - 1955) Children: Linda Jean Graddy Chick (1958 - 2012) Burial:

Lea Cemetery Leasburg Crawford County Missouri, USA

Cecil next married **Frances Marie (MANUES)**, daughter of **John G. Manues** and **Bertha A.**, on 10 August 2002. Frances was born in 1940 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States.

1940 Birthblock of Frances Marie (MANUES) daughter of John G. and Bertha A. (_____) Manues

Frances Marie (MANUES) was born in Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 1940.

1940 Federal Census age 2months

151 Louisa Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States

MANUS, John G. head w m 27; Bertha A. wife w f 31; BORBER, Edward M. step-son w m 14;

Eugine L. step-son w m 12; Juanita E. step-dau w f 10; James C. step-son w m 6; MANUS,

Richard O. son w m 4; Mary L. dau w f 2; Francis L. dau w f 2months

2011 United States Obituary Collection about Donald Leroy Manues

Name of Deceased: Donald Leroy Manues Gender: Male Age at Death: 66 Death Date: 26 Oct 2011 Obituary Date: 2 Nov 2011 Newspaper Location: Crawford Mirror, Missouri, USA Birth Date: 29 Oct 1944 Birth Place: St. Louis, Missouri, USA Spouse's Name: Catherine Judy Ray Parents' Names: John Manues [Bertha Manues] Childrens' Names: Regina (Randy) Warren, Robin (Danny) Prieto, Donna (Leon) Monier Siblings' Names: Buddy (Virginia) Barber of Bellefontaine, Missouri; Larry Husch; Mary Husch of Bourbon, Missouri, Barbara (Roman) Strickland of Steelville, Missouri, Frances Graddy of Sullivan, Missouri, Juanita Sissy Zorn of Bland, Missouri; Raymond Manues, Richard John Manues, Jim (Geneva) Barber and Eddie (Josephine) Barber; Sandra Husch Military: United States Army

33 F xi. **Hazel Bell (GRADDY)** was born on 1 May 1938 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1938 Birthblock of Hazel Bell (GRADDY) daughter of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 1 May 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 2

Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

GRADDY, R. Allen head w m 52; Ruth J. wife w f 35; Dorothy M. dau w f 19; Mildred O. dau w f 17; William A. son w m 15; Harold L. son w m 13; Hilda M. dau w f 13; James E. son w m 11; Laura E. dau w f 9; Benjamin L. son w m 7; Donald E. son w m 6; Cecil A. son w m 3; Hazel B. dau w f 2

Farm:Yes Inferred Residence in 1935:Liberty, Crawford, Missouri Residence in 1935:Same House Sheet Number:2A Number of Household in Order of Visitation:21 Occupation:Laborer Industry:W P A Road Construction House Owned or Rented:Rented Value of Home or Monthly Rental if Rented:2 Attended School or College:No Highest Grade Completed:Elementary school, 4th grade Duration of Unemployment:13 Class of Worker:Wage or salary worker in Government work Weeks

Worked in 1939:39 Income:15 Income Other Sources:Yes

1940 Childbirth of brother; Laird Dean Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister; Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1955 Marriage of Rolan Charles Pennock and Hazel Bell (GRADDY)

Rolan Charles Pennock and Hazel Bell (**GRADDY**) were married in Hernando, DeSoto, Mississippi, United States on 20 July 1955.

1959 U.S. City Directories, 1821-1989 about Hazel B Pennock

Name: Hazel B Pennock Gender: Female Residence Year: 1959 Street address: 301 Residence Place: Peoria, Illinois, USA Spouse: Roland C Pennock Publication Title: Peoria, Illinois, City Directory, 1959

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Hazel B Pennock Birth Date:1 May 1938 Address:560 Carola City:East Peoria State:IL Zip Code:61611

1992 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name:Hazel B Pennock Birth Date:1 May 1938 Phone Number:699-8810 Address:301 Meadow Ave, East Peoria, IL, 61611-2809 [560 Carola St, Peoria, IL, 61610-4136 (1992)]

Hazel married Rolan Charles Pennock, son of Charles Hollis Pennock and Annie Laura (MASON), on 20 July 1955 in Hernando, DeSoto, Mississippi, United States. Rolan was born on 7 December 1933 in National City, San Diego County, California, United States, died on 15 October 2011 in Riverview Senior Living Community, East Peoria, Fondulac Township, Tazewell, Illinois, United States at age 77, and was buried on 20 October 2011 in Fon du Lac Township Cemetery, East Peoria, Fondulac Township, Tazewell, Illinois, United States.

1933 Birthblock of Rolan Charles Pennock son of Charles Hollis and Annie Laura (MASON) Pennock

Rolan Charles Pennock was born in National City, San Diego County, California, United States on 7 December 1933.

[1] California Birth Index, 1905-1995

Name:Rolan Charles Pennock Birth Date:7 Dec 1933 Gender:Male Mother's Maiden Name:Mason Birth County:San Diego

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Rolan C Pennock Birth Date:7 Dec 1933 Address:560 Carola St City:East Peoria State:IL Zip Code:61611

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name:Rolan C Pennock Birth Date:7 Dec 1933 Phone Number:699-8810 Address:301 Meadow Ave, East Peoria, IL, 61611-2809 [560 Carola St, Peoria, IL, 61610-4136 (1993)] [None, Peoria, IL, 61611 (1974)]

2011 Death of Rolan Charles Pennock

Rolan Charles Pennock died at Riverview Senior Living Community, East Peoria, Fondulac Township, Tazewell, Illinois, United States on 15 October 2011.

2011 Burial of Rolan Charles Pennock

Fon du Lac Township Cemetery, East Peoria, Fondulac Township, Tazewell, Illinois, United States

2011 Obituary of Rolan Charles Pennock

http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/pjstar/obituary.aspx?n=rolan-pennock&pid=154088962 United States Obituary Collection about Rolan Pennock

Name of Deceased: Rolan Pennock Gender: M (Male) Age at Death: 77 Death Date: 15 Oct 2011 Obituary Date: 16 Oct 2011 Newspaper Title: Journal Star Newspaper Location: Peoria, IL, USA Birth Date: 7 Dec 1933 Birth Place: USA Residence (at time of death): Creve Coeur Spouse's Name:

Hazel Graddy Parents' Names: Charles and Annie (Mason) Pennock Childrens' Names: Dorothy Pennock, Ruth Anne (Fred) Woods, Charles Pennock, Malinda Pennock, Keith (Debbie) Pennock and Terri (Greg) Blum Siblings' Names: Russell and Dick (Margie) Pennock; William Marriage Location: Hernando, Miss, USA Number of Grandchildren: 5 Military: United States Army veteran

Find A Grave Memorial# 79172576 Created by: Jeanette Record added: Oct 23, 2011

Rolan C. Pennock Birth: Dec. 7, 1933 National City San Diego County California, USA Death: Oct. 15, 2011 East Peoria Tazewell County Illinois, USA CREVE COEUR, IL - Rolan C. Pennock, 77, of Creve Coeur passed away at 1:10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011, at Riverview Senior Living Community in East Peoria, IL.

He was born Dec. 7, 1933, in National City, Calif., to Charles and Annie (Mason) Pennock. He married Hazel Graddy in Hernando, Miss., in 1955. She survives. Also surviving are six children, Dorothy Pennock, Ruth Anne (Fred) Woods, Charles Pennock, Malinda Pennock, Keith (Debbie) Pennock and Terri (Greg) Blum; two brothers, Russell and Dick (Margie) Pennock; five grandchildren, Jeremiah (Becky) Woods, Chris and Andrew Pennock, Clay and Tess Blum; and two great-grandsons, John and Benjamin Woods. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, William. Rolan worked at Caterpillar Inc. for 40 years before retiring on Oct. 1, 1991. He was an United States Army veteran. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Peoria. Burial will be in Fondulac Cemetery in East Peoria. Published in Peoria Journal Star on October 16.

2011 Burial: Fon du Lac Township Cemetery East Peoria Tazewell County Illinois, USA

34 M xii. **Laird Dean Graddy** was born on 12 September 1940 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1940 Birthblock of Laird Dean Graddy son of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Laird Dean Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 September 1940.

1942 Childbirth of sister; Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1963 Marriage of Laird Dean Graddy and Pearl (LITAKER)

Laird Dean Graddy and Pearl (**LITAKER**) were married in Champaign, Champaign, Illinois, United States on 11 May 1963.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Laird D Graddy Birth Date:12 Sep 1940 Address:Crockett Rd City:Bourbon State:MO Zip Code:65441

1984 U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name:Laird D Graddy Birth Date:12 Sep 1940 Phone Number:732-5201 Address:Po Box 642, Bourbon, MO, 65441-0642 (1984)

Laird married **Pearl "Pearlie" (LITAKER)**, daughter of **Harold Hiram Litaker** and **Ella Mae (McNEW)**, on 11 May 1963 in Champaign, Champaign, Illinois, United States. Pearl was born on 16 November 1938 in Kennett, Independence Township, Dunklin County, Missouri, United States, died on 18 August 2014 in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States at age 75, and was buried on 21 August 2014.

1938 Birthblock of Pearl "Pearlie" (LITAKER) daughter of Harold H. and Alla Mae (McNEW)

Litaker

Pearl "Pearlie" (**LITAKER**) was born in Kennett, Independence Township, Dunklin County, Missouri, United States on 16 November 1938.

1940 Federal Census age 2

Independence Township, Dunklin County, Missouri **LETICKER**, Haril H. head w m 39; Almay wife w f 23; Lola M. dau w f 6; Gevina dau w f 3; Pearley M. dau w f 1

1963 Marriage of Laird Dean Graddy and Pearl "Pearley" M. (LITAKER)

Laird Dean Graddy and Pearl (**LITAKER**) were married in Champaign, Champaign, Illinois, United States on 11 May 1963.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2 about Pearly M Graddy

Name: Pearly M Graddy Birth Date: 16 Nov 1938 Address: Crockett Rd, Bourbon, MO, 65441

2014 Death of Pearl "Pearlie" (LITAKER) Graddy

Pearl "Pearlie" (**LITAKER**) Graddy died in Sullivan, Meramec Township, Franklin County, Missouri, United States on 18 August 2014.

2014 Burial of Pearl "Pearlie" (LITAKER) Graddy

2014 Obituary of Pearl "Pearlie" (LITAKER) Graddy

http://www.meaningfulfunerals.net/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=2639232&fh_id=13439&s_id= [1] U.S. Cemetery and Funeral Home Collection about Pearlie Graddy Name: Pearlie Graddy Gender: Female Age at Death: 75 Date of Birth: 16 Nov 1938 Birth Place: Kennett, Missouri, USA Date of Death: 18 Aug 2014 Source Location: Cuba, Missouri, USA Spouse: Dean Graddy Children: Sherri (Paul Richard) Waters of Bowling Green, MO, Keyin (Heather)

Dean Graddy Children: Sherri (Paul Richard) Waters of Bowling Green, MO, Kevin (Heather) Graddy of Sullivan, MO and Andrew (Amanda) Graddy of Bourbon, MO Parents: Harold H. Litaker [Alla Mae Mc New Litaker] Brothers and Sisters: Dorothy Mae Whitaker, Ronnie Pennock, Bill (Pearlene) Graddy, Harold Graddy, Ben Graddy, Cecil (Fran) Graddy, Betty Mayberry, Hilda (Muriel) Phillips, and Bud (Kathleen) Graddy; Freda Carter of Kennett, MO; Lola Mae (Bill) Burrows and Geneva (Robert) Brand; Marion (Frances) Litaker; Mildred Hurst of Oklahoma City, OK, Don (Faye) Graddy of Geyserville, CA, Hazel Pennock of Peoria, IL, Ronnie Graddy and Ed Graddy all of Bourbon, MO, Mick Graddy of Steelville, MO, Sue Graddy of Effingham, IL and Leo (Sherry) Mayberry of St. Louis, MO

Full Obituary: Pearlie M. Graddy nee Litaker of Sullivan, MO was born on Wednesday, November 16, 1938 in Kennett, MO to Harold H. Litaker and Alla Mae McNew Litaker. She passed away on Monday, August 18, 2014 at the age of 75 years, 9 months, and 2 days. Pearlie married L. Dean Graddy on May 11, 1963 in Champaign, IL and to this union four children were born. Pearlie was a believer in Jesus Christ since she was 7 years old and was a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Bourbon, MO. She was a loving homemaker, good mother and grandmother. She enjoyed cooking, gardening and camping in their RV. She was preceded in death by her parents; son Jeffrey Dean Graddy; brother Marion (Frances) Litaker; sisters Lola Mae (Bill) Burrows and Geneva (Robert) Brand; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Dorothy Mae Whitaker, Ronnie Pennock, Bill (Pearlene) Graddy, Harold Graddy, Ben Graddy, Cecil (Fran) Graddy, Betty Mayberry, Hilda (Muriel) Phillips, and Bud (Kathleen) Graddy; grandson Dean Waters; and son-in-law Glenn Waters, Sr. She is survived by her husband L. Dean Graddy of Sullivan, MO; children Sherri (Paul Richard) Waters

of Bowling Green, MO, Kevin (Heather) Graddy of Sullivan, MO and Andrew (Amanda) Graddy of Bourbon, MO; sister Freda Carter of Kennett, MO; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Mildred Hurst of Oklahoma City, OK, Don (Faye) Graddy of Geyserville, CA, Hazel Pennock of Peoria, IL, Ronnie Graddy and Ed Graddy all of Bourbon, MO, Mick Graddy of Steelville, MO, Sue Graddy of Effingham, IL and Leo (Sherry) Mayberry of St. Louis, MO; 5 grandchildren; nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends. Visitation is Thursday, August 21, 2014 from 2-4:00PM and Memorial Service at 4:00PM at First Assembly of God Church, 2416 Old Hwy 66, Bourbon, MO with Pastor Derick Ruble officiating. Arrangements under the direction of Hutson Funeral Home, Cuba, MO.

35 F xiii. **Betty Jane (GRADDY)** was born on 24 December 1942 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 28 October 2000 at age 57, and was buried in October 2000 in Sam Crocker Cemetery, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States.

1942 Birthblock of Betty Jane (GRADDY) daughter of Rufus Allen and Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 December 1942.

1943 Childbirth of brother; Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1964 Marriage of Leo Ted Mayberry and Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Leo Mayberry and Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) were married in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 15 November 1964.

1967 Death of father: Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

2000 Death of Betty Jane (GRADDY) Mayberry

Betty Jane (GRADDY) Mayberry died in

[1] U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014 about Betty J. Mayberry Name: Betty J. Mayberry SSN: 500-46-7561 BORN: 24 Dec 1941 Died: 29 Oct 2000 State (Year) SSN Issued: Missouri (1960-1961)

2000 Burial of Betty Jane (GRADDY) Mayberry

Sam Crocker Cemetery, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States

Find A Grave Memorial# 73352223 Created by: S Breakfield Lorenzo Record added: Jul 14, 2011

Betty Jane Mayberry Birth: Dec. 24, 1941 Death: Oct. 28, 2000 Family links: Spouse: Leo Ted Mayberry (1941 - ____) Burial: Sam Crocker Cemetery Good Water Iron County Missouri, USA

Betty married **Leo Ted Maybery** on 15 November 1964 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States. Leo was born on 26 June 1941 and was buried in Sam Crocker Cemetery, Dent Twp, Iron, Missouri, United States.

1964 Marriage of Leo Ted Mayberry and Betty Jane (GRADDY)

Leo Mayberry and Betty Jane (**GRADDY**) were married in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 15 November 1964.

1967 Death of father-in-law; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

Find A Grave Memorial# 73352170 Created by: S Breakfield Lorenzo Record added: Jul 14, 2011

Leo Ted Mayberry Birth: Jun. 26, 1941 Death: unknown Family links: Spouse: Betty Jane Mayberry (1941 - 2000) Burial: Sam Crocker Cemetery Good Water Iron County Missouri, USA

36 M xiv. **Ronald "Ronny" Francis Graddy** was born on 30 December 1943 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1943 Birthblock of Ronald Francis Graddy

Ronald Francis Graddy was born in either Liberty Twp or Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 30 December 1943.

1961 Death of mother; Ruth Jane (PRATT) Graddy

Ruth Jane (**PRATT**) Graddy died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 September 1961.

1966 Marriage of Ronald Francis Graddy and Cathy (McMILLIEN)

Ronald Francis Graddy and Cathy (**McMILLIEN**) were married in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1966.

1967 Death of father; Rufus Allen Graddy

Rufus Allen Graddy died in Saint Louis (City), Missouri, United States on 16 September 1967.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Ronald F Graddy Birth Date:30 Dec 1943 Address:Deer Run Run City:Bourbon State:MO Zip Code:65441

Ronald married **Cathy (McMILLEN)** in 1966 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States. The marriage ended in divorced no children. Cathy was born in 1947.

8. Mary Center (PRATT) (Henry Winslow "Win" 1) was born on 12 June 1907 in Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 7 October 1918 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States at age 11, and was buried on 11 October 1918 in Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Township, Crawford, Missouri, United States. She never married and had no children.

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Mary Center (PRATT) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C.,</u> M.A.G.I. 2013

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1907 Birthblock for Mary Center (PRATT) daughter of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Center (**PRATT**) was born in Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 12 June 1907.

Date from the 1910 census states she was born 1907 in Missouri.

Date from the death certificate states she was born 12 June 1907 at Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

Date from the headstone states she was born 12 January 1907.

Research Note

The death certificate is unclear as to her middle name. Her mother and father said in the census she was MARY S. PRATT. On the death certificate it states MARY CEUTER PRATT. I thought it might be CARTER however if the census taker spelled her initial with an "S" then the "C" should sound like an "S". Also the death certificate states she was born 12 June 1907 whereas the headstone states she was born 12 January 1907.

1910 Federal Census age 3

Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, page 27b, 2 May 1910, line 60, house 242, family 244

PRATT, Henry W. head w m 37; Laura wife w f 35; Columbus son w m 16; Jessie L. son w m 15; Albert P. son w m 13; Virgil R. son w m 9; Henry A. son w m 7; Ruth J. dau w f 5; Mary S. dau w f 3; Alexander father w m 77

[All born in Missouri except father, Alexander born in Tennessee. Henry's father born in Tennessee as was the parents of Alexander. This is their first marriage and they have been married for 18 years. Henry says he owned his home and was a farmer. Henry could not read or write neither could Alexander. Laura says she has had 7 children born and 7 are living. Alexander is a widower. All children are single. Living a few doors down from John & Susan (WEST) Studdard family. Even though Henry Winslow Pratt says he owned the home in the 1910 census, I could not find the deed recorded in Crawford County deeds. I checked 1881 to 1917 deed records and could not find an entry where Henry Winslow Pratt was grantor or grantee. The home that my aunts and uncles remember between Crows Creek and Brazil Creek (see map) belonged to Columbus Francois Missey, Laura's father. He had entered a deed for 120 acres on 20 April 1889. Either he sold the property to Henry Winslow Pratt and they never filed the deed or the land was given to his daughter and son-in-law as a gift. The deed records need to be searched from 1917 to Laura's death to find out when C. F. Missey sold that land or how it was disposed. -Floyd Thomas Pratt]

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 24 February1911, In the "Local News" section: "H.W. Pratt and wife who live on the Boyd Farm on the river were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pratt

will move next week to a farm over in Washington County near Bliss Post Office."

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 27 October 1911, Friday, In the "Vilander" section: "Winslow Pratt and family have returned to the home of C.F. MISSEY (Mrs. Pratts father) where they will stop until they get a dwelling built."

1911 Father in Sullivan Sentinel News

Sullivan Sentinel Newspaper, 3 November 1911, Friday, In the "Seminary" section: *C.F. Missey is moving to Bourbon.*

1911 Childbirth of brother; Orville Hayes Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt was born 17 December 1911 near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1912 Death of Grandfather; Alxander R. "Alex" Pratt

Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1912.

[1] Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died either the early part of 1912 (Jan-Mar) or the latter (Oct-Dec) according to his grandson, Fred Callahan. The roads were icy and they could not take his body back to Sullivan so they buried him the Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. He died at his daughter's residence Thomas Livey & Polina (PRATT) Callahan's home near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States.
[2] Date on metal plate at gravesite states 1831-1912 from gravesite marker at Freeman Cemetery, Cherryville, Crawford, Missouri, United States.

1914 Death of father; Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt

Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt died near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 March 1914.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #12055 As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Winslow Pratt March 24, 1914 Crawford 12055 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

"Winslow Pratt white married male born 6 September 1868 in Missouri to Alexander Pratt born in Missouri and Mary Kimberlin born Missouri. Winslow is a farmer. James P. Dunnigan M.D. was attending physician from 1 February 1914 to 24 March 1914 and Winslow died of ureaiei and chronic intestinal mephitis. He died at 9:30am on 24 March 1914 at Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States and was buried on 26 March 1914 at Crawford County, Missouri. The informant was Lum Missey, Bourbon, Missouri."

[Urea: A nitrogen-containing substance normally cleared from the blood by the kidney into the urine. Diseases that compromise the function of the kidney often lead to increased blood levels of urea, as measured by the blood urea nitrogen test. Mephitic or carbon dioxide poisoning. - mephitic, mephitical, adj. It appears Winslow ate something at Christmas and it poisoned him.]

[2] Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Liberty Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

headstone...Pratt, Winslow 6 September 1868- 24 March 1914

headstone...Pratt, Laura M. 20 July 1874- 17 April 1938

[Many Pratt relatives are buried in this cemetery including my brother; Larry Winslow Pratt.]

1914-1918 Family Move

From Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States to Bourbon, Boone Twp,

Crawford, Missouri, United States. It appears after the death of Winslow, Mary took the family back to Bourbon where in 1918 her daughter Mary died in Bourbon and where Mary listed her residence on the death certificate.

1916 Death of Grandfather; Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Misse

Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Misse died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 26 April 1916.

1914-1916 Postcard

It looks like my Grandmother Rue (**JOHNSON**) Pratt's writing of the names on the postcard which states..."Mrs. Laura Pratt, Ruth Pratt, Mary Pratt and Arvill Pratt". The other writing says "from Mother to Lum" that looks like Laura's writing and addressed to her son, "Columbus "Lum" Pratt, Patsy, Missouri". This was in the possession of my Aunt Evelin Juanita (**MILLER**) Pratt, wife of James Henry Pratt and she sent a copy of the picture and postcard to my father with the following note, " *This picture was a postal card that Luara Pratt sent to your father. I have copied it for you. In case you wonder, Patsy, Missouri was around Cherry Valley. Don't know what he was doing there unless he was doing a home. Juanita.*" Lum worked in masonry and was a tie maker. Unknown, if this took place before the death of Henry Winslow Pratt in 1914 or afterwards. I figure the date to be circa 1914-1916 because Ruth looks like she is 10-11, Mary looks like she is 6-7, Orville looks like he is 3-4 years old. Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2009

1918 Brother's World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name:Albert Paris Pratt, Sullivan, Missouri Birthplace:Sullivan, Missouri Birth Date:28
February 1897 Roll:1683163 DraftBoard:0 Nearest relative: <u>Laura Pratt, Katwassa, Missouri</u> Date: 5 June 1918

Albert P Pratt was in the Army in WW1. Mo. PFC WWI

1918 Brother's World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name:Virgel Ransom Pratt City:Patsy County:Crawford State:Missouri Birth Date:4 July 1899 Race:White Roll:1683163 DraftBoard:0 Date: 12 September 1918. Farming for self. Nearest relative: Laura Pratt, Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1918 Death of Mary Center (PRATT)

Mary Center (**PRATT**) died either at Patsy, Courtois Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States or Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 7 October 1918. **[1]** Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Death Certificate State File# 32360.

"Mary Center Pratt white single female born 12 June 1907 at Vilander, Missouri to Winslow Pratt born in Sullivan, Missouri and Mary Missey born in Bourbon, Missouri. She died 7 October 1918 at Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. She was buried on 9 October 1918 at Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States. The informant was Mrs. Mary Pratt, Bourbon, Missouri."

[2] Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, death certificate #32360 As it is listed at the S.O.S. website: Mary Center Pratt October 07, 1918 Crawford 32360 http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search

1918 Burial of Mary Center (PRATT)

Harrison Cemetery, Vilander, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

9. Orville Hayes Pratt (Henry Winslow "Win" 1) was born on 17 December 1911 in Crows Creek, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States, died on 11 June 1980 in Lake of the Ozarks General Hospital, Osage Beach, Camden, Missouri, United States at age 68, and was buried on 14 June 1980 in Climax Springs Cemetery, Climax Springs, Benton, Missouri, United States.

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Orville Hayes Pratt by Floyd Thomas</u> <u>Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 30 May 2011</u>

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1911 Birthblock for Orville Hayes Pratt son of Henry Winslow "Win" & Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt .

Orville Hayes Pratt was born in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 17 December 1911.

Date from 1920 census states he was born 1912 in Missouri.

Date from 1930 census states he was born 1911 in MIssouri.

Date from 1940 census states he was born 1912 in MIssouri.

Date from the 1942 delayed birth certificate states he was born 17 December 1911 in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States

Date from Missouri State Board of Health, Delayed or Special Certificate of Birth, No. 130918a. Dated Dec 28, 1942. On 14 Dec 1942, Orville Hayes Pratt signed the above document stating that his birth date was 17 Dec 1911 and he was born in Sullivan, Franklin, Mo. His father is Winslow Henry Pratt and his mother is Laura Mae Missey.

Document Proof: [1] Childs Birth Record Sgd. C.W. Adams, registar, Crawford Co., MO #36491-85 dated 12 Sep 1925. [age 22yrs born Missouri] [2] Marriage certificate, A.C. Mayer, Pastor of the Trinty Luthern Church, Original record 12 July 1932 [age 21yrs born Missouri]. [3] Supp. Affidavit Signed by Maggie Campbell, cousin 3 Dec 1942, dated Dec 17, 1911, Sullivan, Franklin, Mo.

Date from the 1945 U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records state he was born in 1911 in Missouri.

Date from death certificate states he was born 17 December 1911 in Missouri.

Date from headstone states he was born 17 December 1911.

1912 Death of grandfather; Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt

Alexander "Alex" R. Pratt died near Cherryville, Osage Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States in 1912.

1914 Death of father; Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt

Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt died near Crow's Creek, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 24 March 1914.

1916 Death of grandfather; Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Misse

Francois Columbier Columbus "Lum" Misse died in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri,

United States on 26 April 1916.

1920 Federal Census age 9

Walnut Street, Bourbon Village, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, Page 166, 5 June 1920, house 61:

PRATT, Laura M. head w f 45; Virgil R. son w m 20; Arthur H. son w m 17; Orville J. son w m 8

[All born in Missouri as was their parents. Laura is a widow and was renting this house and she and her sons could read and write. Virgil and Arthur worked in the coal mines as miners. They were living next door to Alfred Webster & Mary Eva (**GINTZ**) Barton. Why the census taker put Orville's middle initial as a J. instead of an H. for Hayes is unknown.]

1930 Federal Census age 19

Bourbon Town, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States, 2 April 1930, page 171a, house 36, family 37:

PRATT, Mary L. head w f 56; Arvil H. son w m 19

[All born in Missouri as was their parents. Laura, a widow, was first married at age 19. Arvil is single and is a helper at the Hartung Transporation Company.]

1932 Marriage Orville Hayes Pratt and Mary Olive (MALLOW)

[1] St. Louis City Marriage Index: 1932-1939 Volume 24; FHL#0528155

Orville Pratt & Olive Mallow, marriage license date July 12, 1932, license #338076, Volume 120, Page 638.

[2] Trinity Lutheran Church, 1805 S. Eighth Street, Saint Louis, Missouri, United States 63104 http://www.historictrinitystlouis.org

Orville Pratt & Olive Mallow, married July 12, 1932, Groom 22 years old from Bourbon, Missouri. Bride 19 years old from Sullivan, Missouri. License #338076 dated July 12, 1932, witnesses, Jesse Pratt; Nadine Pratt.

1933 Childbirth of son; Orville Willard Pratt

Orville Willard Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 May 1933.

1935 Childbirth of son; Kenneth Lee Pratt

Kenneth Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 September 1935.

1935 Residency Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1938 Death of mother; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of daughter: Kathleen Mae (PRATT)

Kathleen Mae (**PRATT**) was born at 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 24 February 1939.

1940 Federal Census age 29

2760 Caroline Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, page 1812a 5 April 1940, line

31, house 82,

PRATT, Orville head w m 28; Olive wife w f 23; Orivele son w m 6; Kenneth son w m 5; Kathleen dau w f 1

[All were born in Missouri. Orville is a long distance truck driver for a freight company.]

1940-1952 Divorce of Orville Hayes Pratt and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt

1945 U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name:Orville H Pratt Birth Year:1911 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Missouri State:Missouri County or City:St Louis City Enlistment Date:26 Apr 1945 Enlistment State:Missouri Enlistment City:Jefferson Barracks Branch:No branch assignment Branch Code:No branch assignment Grade:Private Source:Civil Life Education:Grammar school Civil Occupation:Tracktor Driver* or Truck Driver, Heavy or Chauffeur or Truck Driver, Light An asterisk (*) appearing after a job title indicates that a trade test for the particular occupation will be found in the United States Employment Service Manual, Oral Trade Test Marital Status:Married Height:00 Weight:600

1952 Marriage of Orville Hayes Pratt and Marie Virginia (PARSLEY)

Bentonville, Benton, Arkansas Marriage Record Book " " page :

Orville H. Pratt and Marie V. Parsley were married in 1952 in Bentonville, Benton, Arkansas, United States. (unverified) (info give to me by Marie in the 1970's)

1980 Death of Orville Hayes Pratt

Orville Hayes Pratt died in the Lake of the Ozarks General Hospital, Osage Beach, Camden, Missouri, United States on 11 June 1980.

[1] Missouri Department of Health, Certificate of Death, State file #124-80-012226. Orville Hayes Pratt white married male born 17 December 1911 in Missouri to Winslow Henry Pratt and Laura Mae Missey. His spouse is Marie Parsley. He died on 11 June 1980 at Lake of the Ozarks General Hospital, Osage Beach, Camden, Missouri, United States. He was a retired truck driver for Garrett & Holmes Trucking. His usual residence was Rt 1 Box 36a, Climax Springs, Camden, Missouri. He was buried on 14 June 1980 at Climax Springs, Camden, Missouri, United States. His son, Kenneth Pratt was the informant.

[2] Social Security Death Index

Name:Orville Pratt SSN:497-07-9399 Last Residence:65324 Climax Springs, Camden, Missouri, United States of America Born:17 Dec 1911 Last Benefit:65324 Climax Springs, Camden, Missouri, United States of America Died:Jun 1980 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

1980 Burial of Orville Hayes Pratt

Climax Springs Cemetery, Climax Springs, Benton, Missouri, United States Climax Springs Cemetery is located about three quarters of a mile northwest of Climax Springs. The cemetery is in Benton Co., the east boundary being the Benton/Camden Co. line. Pratt, Orville H. Dec 17, 1911 - Jun II, 1980 W W II

Comment

I had met Uncle Orville Hayes Pratt and found him a likable man. He seemed to always be of good cheer and had a good sense of humor. Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I.

Orville married Mary Olive (MALLOW), daughter of Harry Willard Mallow and Allie Lee (MASON)-Hanson, on 12 July 1932 in Trinity Lutheran Church, 1805 South Eighth Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States. Mary was born on 3 October 1917 in Walton Township, Washington, Missouri, United States, died on 25 May 2002 in Clinton, Clinton Township, Henry County, Missouri, United States at age 84, and was buried on 28 May 2002 in Englewood Cemetery, Clinton, Clinton Twp, Henry, Missouri, United States.

Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Mary Olive (MALLOW) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C., M.A.G.I. 2012

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1917 Birthblock of Mary Olive (MALLOW) daughter of Harry Willard Mallow and Allie Lee (MASON-HANSON) Mallow

Mary Olive (**MALLOW**) was born in Walton Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 3 October 1917.

Date from 1920 census states she was born September 1917 in Missouri. [calculated]

Date from 1930 census states she was born 1918 in Missouri.

Date from 1940 census states she was born 1917 in Missouri.

Date from 1st marriage license states she was born 1913.

Date from headstone states she was born 3 October 1917 in Washington, MIssouri, United States.

Date from obituary states she was born 3 October 1917 in Washington, MIssouri, United States. Date from the SSDI states she was born 3 October 1917.

1920 Federal Census age 2yrs 4 mos

Walton Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States, page 290b, 20 January 1920, house 123 **MALLOW**, Harry W. head w m 26; Allie L. wife w f 21; Ruby D. dau w f 4 9/12; Olive M. dau w f 2vrs 4mos

[All born in Missouri including parents.]

1920 Childbirth of brother; James William Mallow

James William Mallow was born in Walton Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 13 May 1920.

1923 Childbirth of brother; Harry Larry Mallow

Harry Larry Mallow was born in Walton Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 12 February 1923.

1930 Federal Census age 13

Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States, page 270a, 10 April 1930, house 170, family 179

MALLOW, Harry W. head w m 36; Allie L. wife w f 31; Mary O. dau w f 12; James W. son w m 9: Harry L. J. son w m 7

[All born in Missouri including the parents except Harry's mother who was born in England. Harry's first marriage was at age 21 and Allie's first marriage was at age 16. Harry is a crowner at

a shoe factory and Allie is a lacer at a shoe factory. The rent their home.]

1932 Marriage of Orville Hayes Pratt and Mary Olive (MALLOW)

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1933 Childbirth of son; Orville Willard Pratt

Orville Willard Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 May 1933.

1935 Childbirth of son; Kenneth Lee Pratt

Kenneth Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 September 1935.

1935 Residency Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1938 Death of mother-in-law; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of daughter; Kathleen Mae (PRATT)

Kathleen Mae (**PRATT**) was born at 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 24 February 1939.

1940 Federal Census age 23

2760 Caroline Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, page 1812a 5 April 1940, line 31, house 82.

PRATT, Orville head w m 28; Olive wife w f 23; Orivele son w m 6; Kenneth son w m 5; Kathleen dau w f 1

[All were born in Missouri. Orville is a long distance truck driver ro a freight company.]

1940-1952 Divorce of Orville Hayes Pratt and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt

Marriage of David Early and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt

David Early and Marie Olive (MALLOW) Pratt were married ??

<u>Divorce of David Early and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt Early</u>

David Early and Marie Olive (MALLOW) Pratt Early were divorced ??

1942 Death of grandfather; William "Billy" Andrew Mallow

William "Billy" Andrew Mallow died in Berryman, Walton Twp, Washington, Missouri, United States on 10 January 1942.

1952 Death of grandmother; Elizabeth "Lizzie" (HANSON) Mallow

Elizabeth "Lizzie" (**HANSON**) Mallow died at Christian Hospital, North Florissant, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 13 February 1952.

1961 Marriage of Willard Lee Kidwiler and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt Early

Willard Lee Kidwiler and Marie Olive Early were married 26 August 1961 at Miami, Ottawa, Oklahoma, United States.

1965 Death of father-in-law; Charles Lee "Charley" Kidwiler

Charles Lee "Charley" Kidwiler died in Henry, Missouri, United States on 25 March 1965.

1976 Death of father; Harry Willard Mallow

Harry Willard Mallow died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 17 November 1976.

1983 Death of mother; Allie Lee (MASON-HANSON) Mallow

Allie Lee (MASON-HANSON) Mallow died in Sullivan, Meramec Twp, Franklin, Missouri, United States on 19 August 1983.

1995 Death of spouse; Willard Lee Kidwiler

Willard Lee Kidwiler died in Clinton, Clinton Twp, Henry, Missouri, United States on 31 July 1995.

2002 Death of Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt Early Kidwiler

Mary Olive (**MALLOW**) Pratt Early Kidwiler died in Clinton, Clinton Twp, Henry, Missouri, United States on 25 May 2002.

Date from the SSDI states she died 25 May 2002 in Clinton, Henry, Missouri, United States [1] Social Security Death Index

http://www.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=3693&enc=1

Name:Mary O. Kidwiler SSN:499-28-7594 Last Residence:64735 Clinton, Henry, Missouri, United States of America Born:3 Oct 1917 Died:25 May 2002 State (Year) SSN issued:Missouri (Before 1951)

- [2] Date from headstone states she died 25 May 2002 in Clinton, Henry, Missouri, United States.
- [3] Date from obituary states she died 25 May 2002 in Clinton, Henry, Missouri, United States.

2002 Burial of Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt Early Kidwiler

Englewood Cemetery, Clinton, Clinton Twp, Henry, Missouri, United States Kidwiler, Mary Olive (**MALLOW**) Pratt - b: Oct 3 1917 Washington Co, MO - d: May 25 2002 Clinton, Henry Co, MO - dau of Harry Willard & Allie Lee (**HANSON**) Mallow - m: Aug 26 1961 to Willard Lee Kidwiler - 84Y - bur: May 28 2002

2002 Obituary of Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt Early Kidwiler

KIDWILER, Mary Olive MALLOW PRATT b: Oct 3 1917, Washington Co, MO d: May 25 2002, Clinton, Henry Co, MO bur: May 28 2002 Englewood Cemetery KA-KY, Clinton, Henry Co, MO http://www.rootsweb.com/~mohenry/cemetery/eng12.html>

arr: Vansant-Mills Funeral Home, Clinton, MO http://www.vansant-millsfuneralhome.com/index.cfm

Daily Democrat, Clinton, Missouri, Jun 13 2002 - Mary Olive Kidwiler, daughter of Harry Willard

and Allie Lee Hanson Mallow, was born October 3, 1917, in Washington County and died on May 25, 2002, at her home in Clinton at the age of 84 years. She was married to Willard Lee Kidwiler and he preceded her in death on July 31, 1995. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Clinton. She is survived by her two sons, Orville W. Pratt and wife, Patricia, of Kansas City, and Kenneth Pratt of St. Louis; one daughter, Kathleen N. Starling of Kansas City; one brother, James Mallow of St. Louis and seven grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the Vansant-Mills Chapel on Tuesday, May 28. Burial was in the Englewood Cemetery, Clinton.

Children from this marriage were:

37 M i. **Orville Willard Pratt** was born on 21 May 1933 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1933 Birthblock of Orville Willard Pratt son of Orville Hayes and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt

Orville Willard Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 21 May 1933.

1935 Childbirth of brother; Kenneth Lee Pratt

Kenneth Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 September 1935.

1935 Residency Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1938 Death of grandmother; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of sister; Kathleen Mae (PRATT)

Kathleen Mae (**PRATT**) was born at 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 24 February 1939.

1940 Federal Census age 7

2760 Caroline Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, page 1812a 5 April 1940, line 31, house 82.

PRATT, Orville head w m 28; Olive wife w f 23; Orivele son w m 6; Kenneth son w m 5; Kathleen dau w f 1

[All were born in Missouri. Orville is a long distance truck driver for a freight company.]

1940-1952 Parent's divorce of Orville Hayes Pratt and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt

1945 Father's U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name:Orville H Pratt Birth Year:1911 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Missouri State:Missouri County or City:St Louis City Enlistment Date:26 Apr 1945 Enlistment State:Missouri Enlistment City:Jefferson Barracks Branch:No branch assignment Branch Code:No branch assignment Grade:Private Source:Civil Life Education:Grammar school Civil Occupation:Tracktor Driver* or Truck Driver, Heavy or Chauffeur or Truck Driver, Light An asterisk (*) appearing after a job title indicates that a

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1952 Father's marriage of Orville Hayes Pratt and Marie Virginia (PARSLEY)

Bentonville, Benton, Arkansas Marriage Record Book " " page :

Orville H. Pratt and Marie V. Parsley were married in 1952 in Bentonville, Benton, Arkansas, United States. (unverified) (info give to me by Marie in the 1970's)

1955 Marriage of Orville Willard Pratt and Patricia Janet (BARNES)

Orville Willard Pratt and Patricia Janet (**BARNES**) were married in Las Cruces, Doña Ana, New Mexico, United States on 18 June 1955

1958 Childbirth of daughter; Linda Lee (PRATT)

Linda Lee (**PRATT**) was born at 708 East Eighth Street, Kansas City, Kaw Twp, Jackson, Missouri, United States on 28 February 1958.

1959 Childbirth of daughter: Teresa Jo (PRATT)

Teresa Jo (**PRATT**) was born at 708 East Eighth Street, Kansas City, Kaw Twp, Jackson, Missouri, United States on 14 May 1959.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

Name:Orville W Pratt Birth Date:21 Aug 1939 [21 Aug 1933] Address:7801 N Lydia Cir, Kansas City, MO, 64118-1963 (1990) [7732 NE 55th St, Kansas City, MO, 64119-4106 (1984)]

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Orville W Pratt Birth Date:21 Aug 1933 Address:7732 E 55th St, Kansas City, MO, 64129

Orville married **Patricia Janet (BARNES)**, daughter of **Orvil J Barnes** and **Jewell Bell (THACKER)**, on 18 June 1955 in Las Cruces, Doña Ana, New Mexico, United States. Patricia was born on 10 June 1934 in Independence, Blue Twp, Jackson, Missouri, United States.

38 M ii. **Kenneth Lee Pratt** was born on 8 September 1935 in Bourbon, Boone Township, Crawford County, Missouri, United States.

1935 Birthblock of Kenneth Lee Pratt son of Orville Hayes and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt

Kenneth Lee Pratt was born in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 8 September 1935.

1935 Residency Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States

1938 Death of grandmother; Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

Mary Laura Magdalene (**MISSEY**) Pratt died at her home in Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford, Missouri, United States on 17 April 1938.

1939 Childbirth of sister; Kathleen Mae (PRATT)

Kathleen Mae (**PRATT**) was born at 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city),

Missouri, United States on 24 February 1939.

1940 Federal Census age 5

2760 Caroline Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, page 1812a 5 April 1940, line 31, house 82,

PRATT, Orville head w m 28; Olive wife w f 23; Orivele son w m 6; Kenneth son w m 5; Kathleen dau w f 1

[All were born in Missouri. Orville is a long distance truck driver for a freight company.]

1940-1952 Parent's divorce of Orville Hayes Pratt and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt

1945 Father's U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name:Orville H Pratt Birth Year:1911 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Missouri State:Missouri County or City:St Louis City Enlistment Date:26 Apr 1945 Enlistment State:Missouri Enlistment City:Jefferson Barracks Branch:No branch assignment Branch Code:No branch assignment Grade:Private Source:Civil Life Education:Grammar school Civil Occupation:Tracktor Driver* or Truck Driver, Heavy or Chauffeur or Truck Driver, Light An asterisk (*) appearing after a job title indicates that a trade test for the particular occupation will be found in the United States Employment Service Manual, Oral Trade Test Marital Status:Married Height:00 Weight:600

1956 Marriage of Kenneth Lee Pratt and Joan Marie (BENOIST)

Kenneth Lee Pratt and Joan Marie (**BENOIST**) were married in Saint Louis (County), Missouri, United States on 13 October 1956.

1957 Childbirth of daughter; Debra Ann (PRATT)

Debra Ann (**PRATT**) was born in Saint Louis (County), Missouri, United States on 23 August 1957.

1960 Childbirth of son; Richard Gerard Pratt

Richard Gerard Pratt was born in Saint Louis (County), Missouri, United States on 23 April 1960.

1961 Childbirth of son; Robert Gerard Pratt

Robert Gerard Pratt was born in Saint Louis (County), Missouri, United States on 8 September 1961.

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Kenneth L Pratt Birth Date:8 Sep 1935 Address:1146 Casa Brazilia CT, Saint Louis, MO, 63129-1840

U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

Name:Kenneth L Pratt Birth Date:8 Sep 1935 Address:10730 Saint Cosmas Ln, Saint Ann, MO, 63074-2524

Kenneth married Joan Marie (BENOIST), daughter of Melvin Bernard Benoist Sr. and Mary Frances (HEITLAND), on 13 October 1956 in Saint Louis County, Missouri, United States. Joan was born on 4 December 1935 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States, died on 21 March 2000 in Saint Peters, Saint Charles, Missouri, United States at age 64, and was buried in March 2000 in Saint Charles Memorial Gardens, Saint Charles, Saint Charles County, Missouri, United States.

1935 Birthblock of Joan Marie (BENOIST) daughter of Melvin Bernard and Mary Frances (HEITLAND) Benoist

Joan Marie (**BENOIST**) was born in Saint Louis Ciry, Missouri, United States on 4 December 1935.

1940 Federal Census age 5

Marriage of James Hoffmiere and Joan Marie (BENOIST)

1956 Marriage of Kenneth Lee Pratt and Joan Marie (BENOIST) Hoffmeier

1993, 1994 Joan M Pratt in the U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1

NAME: Joan M Pratt BIRTH DATE: 4 Dec 1935 PHONE NUMBER: 428-4856 ADDRESS: 801 Ridgelawn Ln, Saint Peters, MO, 63376-4334 (1993) [10730 St Cosmas, St Louis, MO, 63101] [10739 Saint Edmund Ln, Saint Ann, MO, 63074-2545] [10739 Saint Edmund Ln, Saint Ann, MO, 63074-2545 (1994)] [339 Phlox Dr, Palm Harbor, FL, 34684-3441]

Joan M Pratt in the U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2

NAME: Joan M Pratt BIRTH DATE: 4 Dec 1935 ADDRESS: 10730 Saint Cosmas Ln, Saint Ann, MO, 63074-2524

2000 Death of Joan Marie (BENOIST) Hoffmeier Pratt

Joan Marie (**BENOIST**) Hoffmeier Pratt died in _____ on 21 March 2000.

[1] U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

NAME: Joan M. Pratt SSN: 499-34-8398 LAST RESIDENCE: 63376 Saint Peters, Saint Charles, Missouri, USA BORN: 3 Dec 1935 DIED: 21 Mar 2000 STATE (YEAR) SSN ISSUED: Missouri (Before 1951)

2000 Burial of Joan Marie (BENOIST) Hoffmeier Pratt

Saint Charles Memorial Gardens, Saint Charles, Saint Charles County, Missouri, United States

2000 Obituary of Joan Marie (BENOIST) Hoffmeier Pratt

Joan M. Benoist in the Web: Missouri, St. Louis Public Library Obituary Index, 1880-2011 NAME: Joan M. Benoist DEATH DATE: Abt 2000 PUBLICATION DATE: 2000 NOTES: St. Louis Post-Dispatch 2000 (see Pratt)

Find A Grave Memorial# 29226152 Created by: Debbie Walus Record added: Aug 22, 2008

Joan M. Pratt Birth: Dec. 4, 1935 Death: Mar. 21, 2000 Burial: Saint Charles Memorial Gardens Saint Charles St. Charles County Missouri, USA

39 F iii. **Kathleen Mae (PRATT)** was born on 24 February 1939 in Saint Louis City, Missouri, United States.

1939 Birthblock of sister; Kathleen Mae (PRATT) daughter of Orville Hayes and Mary Olive (MALLOW) Pratt

Kathleen Mae (**PRATT**) was born at 3237 North 19th Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States on 24 February 1939.

1940 Federal Census age 1

2760 Caroline Street, Saint Louis (city), Missouri, United States, page 1812a 5 April 1940, line 31, house 82,

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1954-1955 Marriage of Gayle Starling and Kathleen Mae (PRATT)

1956 Childbirth of son; Gayle Lee Starling

Gayle Lee Starling was born at 708 East Eighth Street, Kansas City, Kaw Twp, Jackson, Missouri, United States on 3 August 1956.

1958 Childbirth of son; Gerald Lee Starling

Gerald Lee Starling was born at 708 East Eighth Street, Kansas City, Kaw Twp, Jackson, Missouri, United States on 25 January 1958.

Kathleen married **Gayle Starling** in 1954-1955.

Orville next married Marie Virginia (PARSLEY), daughter of John Quincy Parsley and Prillane "Prilla" "Pearly" (MARTIN), on 26 April 1951 in Bentonville, Township 9, Benton, Arkansas, United States. Marie was born on 17 December 1917 in Spiro, Le Flore, Oklahoma, United States, died on 14 May 2005 in Seasons Nurshing Home, Sedalia, Sedalia Twp, Pettis, Missouri, United States at age 87, and was buried on 18 May 2005 in Climax Springs Cemetery, Climax Springs, Benton, Missouri, United States. They had no children.

<u>Cradle to Grave (C2G) Profile for Marie Virginia (PARSLEY) by Floyd Thomas Pratt F.H.C.,</u> M.A.G.I. 2013

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1917 Birthblock for Marie Virginia (PARSLEY) daughter of John Quincy & Prillane "Prilla" "Pearly" (MARTIN) Parsley

Marie Virginia (**PARSLEY**) was born in Spiro, Le Flore, Oklahoma, United States on 17 December 1917.

Date from the 1920 census states she was born December 1917 in Oklahoma. [calculated]

Date from the 1930 census states she was born 1918 in Oklahoma.

Date from the 1940 census states she was born 1918 in Oklahoma.

Date from the SSDI states she was born 21 December 1917.

Date from the headstone states she was born 21 December 1917.

Birth Location

Marie personally told me she was born in Spiro, LeFlore County, Oklahoma. The 1920 census states they were living at District #159, Paw Paw Twp, Sequoyah, Oklahoma, United States. Only by ordering her birth certificate can we be sure.

1920 Federal Census age 2yrs 1month

District #159, Paw Paw Twp, Sequoyah, Oklahoma, United States, page 182b, 16 January 1920, farm 154, house 154

PARSELY, John head w m 34; Prilline wife w f 27; Floyd son w m 9; Marie dau w f 2yrs 1month

[John was born in Arkansas his father in Tennessee and his mother in Missouri, Prilline was born in Tennessee as was her parents, Floyd and Marie were born in Oklahoma. They are renting and farming.]

1930 Federal Census age 12

District #18, Paw Paw Twp, Sequoyah, Oklahoma, United States, page 127b, 16 April 1930, house 166, family 170

PARSELY, John head w m 48; Prilley wife w f 38; Floid son w m 19; Marie dau w f 12; Inez dau w f 8; Jonnie dau w f 5; Geneva dau w f 1

[John was born in Arkansas, his father in Tennessee and his mother in Georgia, Prilley was born in Tennessee as was her parents, Floid and Marie were born in Oklahoma, Inez, Jonnie, Geneva were born in Arkansas. John was first married at age 32, Prilley at age 17.]

1934 Marriage of Edward Davis and Marie Virginia (PARSLEY)

[1] Arkansas Marriage Index, 1933-1939

Name:Ed Davis Gender:Male County:Crawford Spouse:Parsley License Date: <u>18</u> Aug 1934 Certificate Number:05179 Volume Number:0001

[2] From FAG Ed Davis Groom's Age: 20 Groom's Estimated Birth Yr: 1914 Groom's Residence: Van Buren, Crawford, AR Bride: Marie Parsley Bride's Age: 18 Bride's Estimated Birth Yr: 1916 Bride's Residence: Van Buren, Crawford, AR Marriage Date: 26 Aug 1934 Marriage License Date: 18 Aug 1934 Marriage Place: Crawford, AR Film #: 2132665 Digital Folder #: 4401697Image #: 00139 Page #: 213Source: AR Co Marriage Records, 1837-1957

1935 Childbirth of son; William "Billy" Eugene "Gene" Davis

William "Billy" Eugene "Gene" Davis was born in Arkansas?? on 29 June 1935.

1935-1937 Death or divorce of Edward Davis and Marie Virginia (PARSLEY) Davis

1937 Marriage of Raymond Mounce and Marie Virginia (PARSLEY) Davis

[1] From FAG

Raymond Mounce Groom's Age: 25 Groom's Estimated Birth Yr: 1912 Groom's Residence: Van Buren, Crawford, AR Bride: Marie Parsley Bride's Age: 19 Bride's Estimated Birth Yr: 1918 Bride's Residence: Van Buren, Crawford, AR Marriage Date: 09 Oct 1937 Marriage License Date: 09 Oct 1937 Marriage Place: Crawford, AR Film #: 2132665 Digital Folder #: 4401697 Image #: 00808 Page #: 144

[2] Arkansas, County Marriages Index, 1837-1957

Name:Raymond Mounce Gender:Male Age:25 Birth Year:abt 1912 Residence:Van Buren, Crawford, Arkansas Spouse's Name:Marie Parsley Spouse's Gender:Female Spouse's Age:19 Spouse's Residence:Van Buren, Crawford, Arkansas Marriage Date:9 Oct 1937 Marriage License Date:9 Oct 1937 Marriage County:Crawford Event Type:Marriage FHL Film Number:2132665 [3] Arkansas Marriage Index, 1933-1939

Name:Raymond Mounce Gender:Male County:Crawford Spouse:Marie Parsley License Date:9
Oct 1937 Certificate Number:05258 Volume Number:0002

1940 Federal Census age 22

1324 East Main, Van Buren, Van Buren Twp, Crawford, Arkansas, United States, page 217b, 5 April 1940, line 55, house 58

MONCE, Ray head w m 28; <u>Marie V. wife w f 22</u>; **DAVIS**, Billy G sson w m 5 [Raymond was born in Idaho, Marie in Oklahoma, Billy in Arkansas. Raymond was an ice saleman. They are renting.]

Research Note

Even though the 1940 census states they were living in the same place in 1935, this is incorrect since they were not even married until 1937. The fact that Billy Davis was born in 1935 and they stated he was born in Arkansas contradicts the "same place" issue.

1940-1952 Divorce of Raymond Mounce and Marie Virginia (PARSLEY) Davis Mounce

Research Note

Should be noted that Marie could have had another marriage between Raymond Mounce and Orville Pratt. When I interviewed Marie at a Pratt Family Reunion back in the 1980's, she failed to mention this marriage to Raymond Mounce completely. I am a trained throuough interviewer and would customarily grill these people to obtain vital information about their lives. Because she deliberately ommitted this information suggests it was a painful marriage and something she did not want to remember.

1952 Marriage of Orville Hayes Pratt and Marie Virginia (PARSLEY) Davis Mounce

Bentonville, Benton County, Arkansas Marriage Record Book " " page:

Orville H. Pratt and Marie V. Parsley Davis Mounce were married in 26 Apr 1951 in Bentonville, Benton, Arkansas, United States.

[1] From FAG Arville Pratt Groom's Age: 38 Groom's Estimated Birth Yr: 1913 Groom's Residence: Carthage, Jasper, MO Bride: Marie Parsley Bride's Age: 34 Bride's Estimated Birth Yr: 1917 Bride's Residence: Carthage, Jasper, MO Marriage Date: 26 Apr 1951 Marriage License

Date: 18 Apr 1951 Marriage Place: Benton, ARFilm Number: 1994615 Digital Folder #: 4401690 Image #: 00604 Page #: 11 Source: AR Co Marriage Records, 1837-1957

2005 Death of Marie Virginia (PARSLEY) Davis Mounce Pratt

Marie Virginia (**PARSLEY**) Dacis Mounce Pratt died in Seasons Nurshing Home, Sedalia, Sedalia Township, Pettis County, Missouri, United States on 14 May 2005. Date from the SSDI states she died 14 May 2005 at Climax Springs, Camden, Missouri. [1] Social Security Death Index

Name:Marie V. Pratt SSN:432-05-3420 Last Residence:65079 Sunrise Beach, Camden, Missouri Born:21 Dec 1917 Last Benefit:65324 Climax Springs, Camden, Missouri Died:14 May 2005 State (Year) SSN issued:Arkansas (Before 1951)

2005 Burial of Marie Virginia (PARSLEY) Davis Mounce Pratt

Climax Springs Cemetery, Climax Springs, Benton County, Missouri, United States

Find A Grave #42294287 Sheila Parsley Young Added: Sep. 23, 2011

Raymond Mounce Groom's Age: 25 Groom's Estimated Birth Yr: 1912 Groom's Residence: Van Buren, Crawford, AR Bride: Marie Parsley Bride's Age: 19 Bride's Estimated Birth Yr: 1918 Bride's Residence: Van Buren, Crawford, AR Marriage Date: 09 Oct 1937 Marriage License Date: 09 Oct 1937 Marriage Place: Crawford, ARFilm #: 2132665 Digital Folder #: 4401697 Image #: 00808 Page #: 144

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From the Lake Sun Leader, 20 May 2005 Marie Virginia Pratt was bn Dec 21, 1917, in Van Buren, AR. She departed this life Sat, May 14, 2005, at 4 Seasons Nsg Home in Sedalia, Mo, at the age of 87 yrs, 4 mos, & 23 days.

Early in her adult yrs, she was united in marriage to Orville Hayes Pratt in Kansas City, Mo.She was preceded in death by her parents; her husb, Orville, in June of 1980; a bro, Austin John Parsley; & a sis, Inez Harris. Marie is survived by a dau, Kathleen Stanley, of Kansas City, Mo.; 3 sons, Bill Davis of Fairfield, CA, Orville W Pratt of Kansas City, Mo, & Kenneth Pratt of St Louis, Mo; 9 grands; a bro, Paul Parsley & his wife, Dorothy, of Tucson, AZ; a sis, Geneva Sallee & her husb, Ed, of Tulsa, OK; a nephew, Ray Parsley & his wife, Shirley; as well as a host of other relatives & friends.

She was bn and raised in Van Buren, AR. After she & Orville were married, they made their home in Kansas City, Mo. Besides being a devoted homemaker to her family, Marie also worked as a

waitress at the Market Cafe at the City Market in Kansas City for several yrs. Later, she & Orville moved to the Lake of the Ozarks area, & Marie wked at the Greenview Restaur until eventually retiring. Marie had made her profession of faith in Christ & was a memb of the Pentecostal Ch in Climax Springs, Mo. She belonged to the Order of the Eastern Star in Kansas City, & the Zack Wheat American Legion Post in Sunrise Beach, Mo.

She did volunteer work with Meals-on-Wheels, & was a caregiver to the elderly, often providing rides to doctor appointments and providing other services to senior citizens. Marie was a loving mother, grandmother, sis & aunt, & was a caring neighbor & friend. We celebrate her life and her accomplishments, and will cherish the wonderful memories she created for her family and friends. Graveside funeral services will be held at 11 am, Wed, May 18, in Climax Spg Cem under the direction of Allee-Holman-Howe Funeral Hm of Camdenton. No formal visitation will be held. Friends may call the funeral home on Tue. Memorial donations may be made to Meals-On-Wheel and left at the funeral home. Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Allee-Holman-Howe Funeral Home of Camdenton.

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	8 Henry Winslow "Win" Prate	d. 1912	b 1802-1803 34 Rhmehart E. Kimberlin
	b. 6 September 1869 p. near Osage Post Office, J~	17 Mary Kimberlin	b. 1805
4 Columbus B A Pratt	∣m. 29 January 1893 ∣p. Vilander, Liberty Twp, Craw~	b. 1835 d. 1876-1880	35 Frances Jane Peters h 1804
b. 1 December 1893	d. 24 March 1914 p. near Crow's Creek, Boone~	18 François C Missé Missey	b. 1804 36 Jean B Missé Missey
p. Hamilton Hollow, Johnson ~ m. 12 April 1919		b. 5 July 1845	b. 28 May 1821 ₃₇ Marie Françoise Piquette
p. Bourbon, Boone Twp, Craw~ d. 27 July 1947	h 20 February 1874	d. 26 April 1916	b 4 January 1826 38 Benjamin "Ben" Talbott
p. Bourbon, Boone Twp, Craw~	p. Johnson Twp, Washington~ d. 17 April 1938	b. 3 April 1848	b. 15 June 1811 39 Laura Farris
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. 6 January 1927 . near Bourbon, Boone Twp, Crawford-	-	20 Martin Johnson	b. 31 March 1775
n. 1 March 1947 . Saint Clair, Central Twp, Franklin, M~	10 Judge J M Johnson Sr.	b. 22 March 1805 d. 27 September 1859	h 23 November 1760
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	b. 18 January 1861p. near Pine Mountain Post Of~	23 Harriet King	b. 20 December 1800
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. 3 January 1948	<u>.</u> ,		48 Joseph Brown Sr.
. City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Av~ n. 14 August 1972		b. 1827	b. 1785 49 Lydia Hammonds
. Tyler Place United Presbyterian Ch~	12 John A. Brown b. May 1844	d.	b. 1792 50
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6 Peter Conley Brown	m. 18 November 1891 p. Dresden, Weakley, Tenne~	b. 1825 d.	b. _
b. 12 January 1893 p. Sharon, Weakley, Tennes~	d. 31 July 1928 p. Nashville, Hermitage, Davi~	26 William Stevenson Lackey	52 Enos Lackey b. 1797
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d. 3 December 1972	b. 6 February 1871	a. / Galy 1000	b ₄ 1804
p. Halls, District #8, Lauderdal~	p. near District 8 Post Office, ~ d. 14 January 1924	b. 11 October 1827	b. 55
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. 31 October 1925 . City Hospital #1, 1515 Lafayette Av~		28 Stephen C. O'Daniel	b. Abt 1749
. 1 March 1981 . Queen of Angels Hospital, 2301 Bel~	14 James Leonidas O'Daniel	b. 5 December 1812 d. 1881	57 Annie Keathley 58 John Gordon
	b. 15 December 1869 p. near Rutherford Post Offic~	29 Elizabeth Ellen Gordon	58 30hn Gordon b. 1813
7 Olga Elmiria O'Daniel	m. 22 May 1897 p. Dyer, Tennessee, United S~	b. 1840	59 Nancy
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	p. Jackson Crossing, Civil Dist~	d. 19 April 1902	b. 1840

A Little Something About Your Author.....

Floyd Thomas Pratt, F.H.C., M.A.G.I.



At the age of 19, Tom Pratt embarked on a career in law enforcement. This experience gave him training in detective and investigative skills. Little did Mr. Pratt know, how useful these skills would be in the field of genealogy.

Tom Pratt started his family research career in 1975 after becoming a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. His first calling as a new member was to serve in the newly created genealogical department or known today as the Family History Center in the Springfield, Missouri ward. This two-year calling gave Mr. Pratt a tremendous amount of experience helping others to research their families.

In fact, he felt family research came easy and required little effort on his part. In reality, years of reading and studying increased his expertise and he made it look easy to others.

Over the course of several years, Mr. Pratt was asked by his church to instruct several family history courses. This experience established a deep profound love for family and ancestors.

It was not uncommon for Mr. Pratt to spend 4 to 8 hours a day researching and compiling family histories in addition to his duties, as an entrepreneur in the insurance business.

The first major achievement for Mr. Pratt was a breakthrough on his Pratt family back to the early 1800's. Not satisfied with just the direct line research, Mr. Pratt branched out to research all connected lines and allied families.

This dedication led to 42,000 individuals and achieved expert status for Mr. Pratt on the families of middle and eastern Missouri, eastern and western Tennessee and central North Carolina.

Concerning Mr. Pratt's style of research, he is a strong supporter of the "hands on" approach. When he took family vacations, they usually went to libraries, cemeteries, courthouses, National Archive centers, and visited family members in various states. He attended multi-state family reunions and obtained his material from the actual sources when possible.

A Little Something About Your Author.....

Being a researcher of the highest degree, in 1991, Mr. Pratt formed the Pratt Publications Company and offered to the public, a series of books titled, The Pratt Progenitor Papers. This series of volumes are a collection of legal documents, stories, pictures and historical presentations concerning the families of Missouri, Tennessee and North Carolina.

The first three Volumes were released to the public in 1991 and were issued to 18 different libraries including the Library of Congress and the St. Louis Public Library. The next 7 volumes were published with at total of 43 volumes scheduled for publication.

In 1996, Mr. Pratt formed the <u>Genealogical Institute</u> to further the education of serious researchers.

The <u>Genealogical Institute</u> offers a series of educational materials to teach and instruct the uninitiated in the procedures of family history research. These courses offer "a hands on" curriculum designed to instruct in investigative, deductive reasoning and logical procedures for tracking your family history.

Beginners and experienced researchers have found a treasure chest of knowledge when undertaking these courses. Mr. Pratt has taken the hobby of genealogy and has enhanced it into a science. Heavy on instructions concerning documentation, research procedures, alternative sources and common public records, this course is a valuable tool for the researcher. One of Mr. Pratt's favorite sections of the course is teaching researchers "how to stop" researching and compile their information for publication.

Upon completion of the educational courses from the <u>Genealogical Institute</u>, the graduate is awarded the <u>Master Accreditation</u> of the <u>Genealogical Institute</u>. (M.A.G.I.)

This designation is equivalent to a Doctorate Degree and signifies the recipient has been trained and demonstrated superior research techniques.

Mr. Pratt's ability in family history research has amazed many educated researchers. When Mr. Pratt is asked for help concerning their "brick wall" in their family research, his quick wit and logical mind rapid fires instructions and procedures so fast they cannot write the material quickly enough. Little do they realize this knowledge has been acquired over 30 years of experience and research.

In June of 2000, Mr. Pratt undertook a new and unprecedented task.

Outside of Washington, Franklin County, Missouri is an old cemetery called the Johnson-Caldwell Cemetery. This cemetery has many pioneer heroes and ancestors of various descendants from that region. Some of the inhabitants were born in the 1750's and traveled west to Missouri after the 1803 Louisiana Purchase.

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Mr. Pratt took down all the information off the headstones, including every person in the cemetery and researched each individual related or not. 1000 man-hours and two years later, he published the book "Johnson-Caldwell Cemetery of Franklin County, Missouri"© 2001.

Obtaining newspapers, legal documents, personal interviews with ancestors and researching various sources for any and all information concerning the history of the cemetery and the inhabitants produced this master text. What makes this book stand out among the rest is basic content and structure.

First, it is the only book to cover the known and reported inhabitants of an entire cemetery.

Second, this book reports on each inhabitant, their birth and activities throughout their life until their death, including their ancestors, spouses and children.

Third, even the index is unique, listing the individual and their father's name if known. This is extremely helpful when several individuals have the same given name.

Upon examination, professional researchers have hailed this body of work as a masterpiece and a standard in which all future research of cemeteries should be based. In their opinion, no one has ever produced a body of work about a cemetery as unique and professional as this publication.

Currently, Mr. Pratt is working on a series of books from the Pratt Archive Collections, which is a series of biographical publications concerning a progenitor and a generation of descendants. This collection is a "cradle to grave" report, which covers the subject's ancestry, birth, marriage, children, and geographical domiciles as well as the political environment during the subject's lifetime.

In addition, Mr. Pratt is working on additional volumes of the <u>Pratt Progenitor</u> <u>Papers</u> and several books on public records.

With all these accomplishments, Mr. Pratt humbly refers to himself as a Genealogical Anthropologist...resurrecting progenitors.

We in the genealogical world are deeply grateful to be associates of a man of Mr. Pratt's caliber. Through his dedication to helping the novice as well as the professional researcher, future generations will benefit by his advances in the genealogical field.

In addition, we are thankful for the inspiration that sparks men like Mr. Pratt to magnify their love for people and history. We feel, with a lifetime dedicated to the genealogical pursuit of truth and knowledge, Mr. Pratt's accumulative body of work, will stand as a quintessential manifestation of this divine love.

Lewton Cole, Chairman Genealogical Institute



Pratt Progenitor Papers Volume 10:

HENRY WINSLOW "WIN" PRATT AND DESCENDANTS

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Henry Winslow "Win" Pratt son of Alexander "Alex" R. & Mary (KIMBERLIN) Pratt, born in Blanton Hollow now known as Hamilton Hollow in the Johnson Township of Washington County. Henry Winslow lived all his life in the Washington, Crawford and Franklin Counties of Missouri.

Henry married Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) daughter of Columbus Francois "Lum" and Cynthia (TALBOTT) Missey. They bore 8 children until Henry's untimely death in 1914 leaving Laura to raise 8 children alone. These children married into local families. Blue highlight designates author's direct line. + Plus sign indicates a Cradle to Grave (C2G) profile is included for that individual.

2 generations of descendants are covered in this volume:

+Henry Winslow "Win" & +Mary Laura Magdalene (MISSEY) Pratt

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